



# Oral Health Group Newsletter



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The Cochrane Collaboration is an international organisation that aims to help people make well-informed decisions about healthcare by preparing, maintaining and promoting the accessibility of systematic reviews of the effects of healthcare interventions.

The Cochrane Oral Health Group (OHG) aims to produce systematic reviews which primarily include all randomised controlled trials (RCTs) in oral health. Oral health is broadly conceived to include the prevention, treatment and rehabilitation of oral, dental and craniofacial diseases and disorders.

The OHG is composed of persons from around the world who share an interest in developing and maintaining systematic reviews relevant to the field of oral health. Reviewers are encouraged to collaborate on reviews and the OHG is able to facilitate contacts with colleagues around the world. The group is co-ordinated by an Editorial Team who edit and assemble completed reviews into modules for inclusion in *The Cochrane Library* (an electronic database updated quarterly).

### Authors wanted!

The OHG requires authors to review the following topics. Please contact the Editorial Base if you are interested.

- Chlorhexidine for the prevention and management of dental caries
- Interventions for caries management in head and neck cancer patients
- Interventions for caries management in non-impacted wisdom teeth
- Interventions for periodontal management in head and neck cancer patients
- Interventions for the prevention of dry socket
- Interventions for treating ameloblastomas of the jaws
- Interventions for treating temporomandibular joint osteoarthritis
- Management of orbital blow out fractures
- Pharmacological interventions for pain in patients with TMD

### What's new in The Cochrane Library? Issue 3, 2007:-

#### New Reviews

- Reinforcement of anchorage during orthodontic brace treatment with implants or other surgical methods
- Interventions for replacing missing teeth: 1- versus 2-stage implant placement
- Orthodontic treatment for prominent upper front teeth in children
- Interdental/interspace brushes for oral hygiene in orthodontic patients with fixed appliances
- Paracetamol for pain relief after surgical removal of lower wisdom teeth
- Surgical versus non-surgical endodontic re-treatment for periradicular lesions
- Interventions for replacing missing teeth: management of soft tissues for dental implants

#### New Protocols

- Optimum force for tooth movement in orthodontic treatment
- Acyclovir for treating primary herpetic gingivostomatitis
- Mouthrinses for the treatment of halitosis
- Interventions for the management of submucous cleft palate
- Interventions for the management of herpes simplex virus in patients being treated for cancer

### Submission & publication dates 2007/8

<u>Cochrane Library</u>	<u>Reviewer to Editorial Base</u>	<u>Editorial Base to Parent Database</u>	<u>Publication Date</u>
<u>Issue 4, 07</u>	13 August	22 August	17 October
<u>Issue 1, 08</u>	5 November	14 November	23 January

### New titles registered with OHG

If you are interested in preparing and maintaining a Cochrane review please fill in a title registration form, which can be found on our website, and return it to the Editorial Base.

- Mandibular manipulation for temporomandibular joint disorders
- Pre-surgical orthopaedics for infants with complete cleft lip and palate
- Orthognathic surgery for surgical correction of patients with mandibular deformity
- Timing of hard palate repair for cleft lip and palate
- Different surgical procedures in endodontic surgery for the treatment of periradicular lesions
- Root coverage procedures for the treatment of recession

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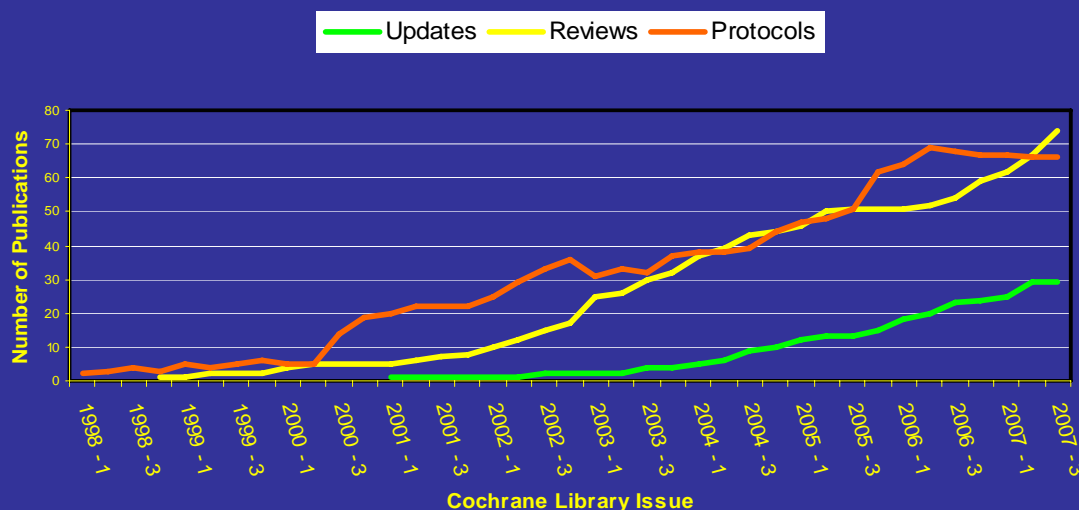
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## OHG Workshop at Cochrane Colloquium

The OHG will hold a workshop at the Cochrane Colloquium, São Paulo, Brazil. It is provisionally timetabled for 4.30pm on Wednesday 24 October and will be delivered by OHG Editor and reviewer, Dr Valeria Marinho. The title of the workshop is 'Making sense of scientific evidence in dentistry: a workshop for individuals collaborating (or interested in collaborating) with the Cochrane Oral Health Group'. The workshop will provide an introduction to Cochrane systematic reviews of randomised controlled trials in dentistry and familiarise participants with the work of the Cochrane Oral Health Group. The level will be basic to intermediate and participants with and without any dental background should be able to enjoy the workshop and learn.

## Progress of Oral Health Group



## Cochrane Training & Events

Cochrane events and workshops are a great way to get to know how the Collaboration works, make new friends and learn new skills – and all this whilst having fun!!!

Please visit [www.cochrane.org/news/workshops.htm](http://www.cochrane.org/news/workshops.htm) for further details on how to attend.

- Aug 2007**
- 1-2 Aug: [Handsearching: Identifying and Classifying Controlled Trial Reports \(online\)](#), US Cochrane Centre
  - 5-9 Aug: [9th Rocky Mountain Workshop on How to Practice Evidence-Based Health Care](#), Colorado Springs, USA
  - 10 Aug: [Introduction to Cochrane Reviews and Meta-Analysis](#), Karachi, Pakistan
  - 11-14 Aug: [Advanced Statistical Methods in Cochrane Reviews](#), Karachi, Pakistan
  - 17-19 Aug: [Methodologies for Systematic Reviews](#), Chandigarh, India
  - 17 Aug: [Cochrane work-in \(3 hours\)](#), Khon Kaen, Thailand
  - 22 Aug: [Developing a Protocol for a Systematic Review](#), Melbourne, Australia
  - 27 Aug: [Introduction to new Cochrane Handbook Methods and RevMan 5](#), Melbourne, Australia
  - 28-29 Aug: [Updating a Cochrane Review](#), Melbourne, Australia

- Sept 2007**
- 1-30 Sep: [Reviews for Africa Programme](#), Cape Town, South Africa
  - 7 Sep: [Evidence-based Healthcare: A workshop on finding, synthesizing, and applying clinical evidence](#), John Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health, Baltimore, USA
  - 11-12 Sep: [Developing a Protocol for a Review 2 day Workshop](#), Oxford, UK
  - 13 Sep: [Introduction to Analysis](#), Oxford, UK
  - 20 Sep: [Developing a Systematic Review](#), Amsterdam, Holland
  - 20 Sep: [Cochrane work-in \(3 hours\)](#), Khon Kaen, Thailand
  - 20-21 Sep: [Introduction to Analysis](#), Khon Kaen, Thailand
  - 25-26 Sep: [Conducting a Cochrane Review](#), Manila, Philippines
  - 27-28 Sep: [Review Completion Workshop](#), Manila, Philippines

- Oct 2007**
- 2 Oct: [Developing a Protocol for a Review](#), Belfast, N Ireland
  - 4 Oct: [Introduction to Analysis](#), Belfast, N Ireland
  - 23-27 Oct: [XV Cochrane Colloquium](#), São Paulo, Brazil

### 2007/8 Dental Diary Dates!

- American Dental Association Annual Session, San Francisco, USA, 27-30 Sep 2007
- 3<sup>rd</sup> International Meeting: Methodological Issues in Oral Health Research, Milan, Italy, 16-18 April 2008
- British Dental Conference & Exhibition, Manchester, UK, 1-3 May 2008
- IADR 86<sup>th</sup> General Session & Exhibition, Toronto, Canada, 2-5 July 2008