



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).

To learn more about the Group please visit our website at www.ohg.cochrane.org or feel to get in contact with us at the email addresses below.



New titles registered with OHG

- Primary school-based behavioural interventions for preventing caries
- Health education for caries management in pre-school children
- Direct versus indirect bonding for fixed orthodontic brackets
- Maternal consumption of xylitol for preventing dental decay in children

What's new in *The Cochrane Library*? Issues 2, 3 & 4, 2010:-

Updated Reviews

- Pit and fissure sealants versus fluoride varnishes for preventing dental caries in children and adolescents

New Reviews

- Replacement versus repair of defective restorations in adults: resin composite
- Replacement versus repair of defective restorations in adults: amalgam
- Interventions for replacing missing teeth: augmentation procedures of the maxillary sinus
- Initial arch wires for alignment of crooked teeth with fixed orthodontic braces
- Interventions for the treatment of fractures of the mandibular condyle

New Protocols

- Oral hygiene care for critically ill patients to prevent ventilator associated pneumonia
- Orthodontic treatment for distalising upper first molars
- Interventions for the prevention of osteonecrosis of the jaws in patients receiving bisphosphonate therapy undergoing oral surgery
- Professionally applied fluoride paint-on solutions for the control of dental caries in children and adolescents
- Preoperative analgesics for additional pain relief in children and adolescents having dental treatment
- Interventions for the treatment of keratocystic odontogenic tumours (KCOT, odontogenic keratocysts (OKC))
- Interventions for treating osteonecrosis of the jaw bones associated with bisphosphonates
- Chlorhexidine treatment for the prevention of dental caries in children and adolescents
- Psychosocial interventions for the management of chronic orofacial pain

You will find all of the above reviews at
www.thecochranelibrary.com

New address for Editorial Base

On the 1st April the OHG Editorial Base was relocated to the Coupland 3 Building. The move went remarkably smoothly and we would like to thank all those involved for their help. We are delighted with our new premises and we are grateful for all your patience during the period of disruption. If you have a review or review update to complete we can offer you space and time away from your normal working environment in order to work on your review without distraction.

Our new address is below. Please note fax and telephone numbers and email addresses have not changed.

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Cochrane News

- **Cochrane & Cochrane Library websites.** The main Cochrane website and *The Cochrane Library* websites have been redesigned to make them better structured and more user friendly. The Cochrane website (www.cochrane.org) has many new features including:
 - Prominent, easy-to-find link to our product, *The Cochrane Library*, in the header on the right of every page of the site;
 - RSS feeds for various content streams (news, events, jobs and more);
 - Homepage feature Cochrane in the News that highlights recent coverage of Cochrane in the press (also available as an RSS feed);
 - Portals for various user groups from the homepage and as a panel on internal pages;
 - Federated search across all content collections including reviews, methodology and colloquia abstracts;
 - Web 2.0 features including social bookmarking tools and links to Cochrane networks;
 - Improved contact pages system;
 - Improved navigation aids including a Site map, Site index, and broken-out menu at the bottom of every page.

The Cochrane Library website (www.thecochranelibrary.com) is also now much easier to navigate with quick links from the homepage to each major topic area which is in turn broken down into subtopics using a tree view style.

- **Cochrane access in Germany.** *The Cochrane Library* is now available to more than 650,000 students and faculty at 47 universities in Germany. This German National Academic Opt-In Consortium is open to all academic institutions and university clinics in Germany and allows access to *The Cochrane Library* for the period from 2010 to 2019.
- **New updated CONSORT Statement.** The CONSORT (Consolidated Standards of Reporting Trials) Statement is an evidence-based, minimum set of recommendations for reporting randomised controlled trials (RCTs). It facilitates complete and transparent reporting thus aiding their critical appraisal and interpretation. The Cochrane Collaboration believes that all reports of RCTs should follow CONSORT. Please go to www.consort-statement.org.
- **Colloquium registration open.** The first joint colloquium of the Cochrane and Campbell Collaborations will be held in Keystone, Colorado, 18-22 October. Registration is now open. Please follow the link on the Cochrane homepage www.cochrane.org.

Author tips

You can download a copy of your review in RevMan without locking it for others but this should never be checked back in to Archie. To do this click 'Check Out' then select your review and check the box 'Download a copy of the review without locking it for others (not for editing)' then click 'OK'.

The best way to avoid mix ups within your review team as to which is the very latest version of the review is to check the review back into Archie at the end of every editing session.

If you have any problems checking your review back in, quite often the problem may be due to an error. Click 'File' > 'Reports' > 'Validation Report' which will notify you of any problems. Any warnings will not stop you from checking the review in but errors will.

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 <http://www.cochrane.org/events/w-shops/all> for further details on how to attend.

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| June | <p>31 May-4 June: 11th Nordic Workshop on How to Practice Evidence-Based Health Care, Holmsbu, Norway</p> <p>1-2: Train the Trainer Workshop for Cochrane Review Author Training, Ottawa, Canada</p> <p>7: Developing a Protocol for a Systematic Review Workshop, Melbourne, Australia</p> <p>8: Introduction to Analysis Workshop, Melbourne, Australia</p> <p>21: Developing a Protocol for a Systematic Review Workshop, Gold Coast, Australia</p> <p>22: Introduction to Analysis Workshop, Gold Coast, Australia</p> <p>23-24: Cochrane Review Completion and Update Program, Brisbane, Australia</p> |
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| August | <p>3: Developing a Protocol for a Systematic Review Workshop, Adelaide, Australia</p> <p>4: Introduction to Analysis Workshop, Adelaide, Australia</p> <p>5: Cochrane Review Completion and Update Program, Adelaide, Australia</p> <p>20: Evidence based medicine workshop, Sao Paulo, Brazil</p> |

Please note the Norwegian branch of the Nordic Cochrane Centre offer individual sessions on writing protocols and reviews and using RevMan (the Cochrane Collaboration's review writing software) on an on-demand basis. If you would like some Cochrane training but there are no courses which you could feasibly attend, it is worth contacting your nearest Cochrane Centre as they may be happy for you to visit for some individually tailored training. To find your nearest Cochrane Centre go to www.cochrane.org/contact/country.

2010/11 Conference dates!

- Society for Clinical Trials, Baltimore, USA, 16-19 May
- British Dental Association, Liverpool, UK, 20-22 May
- IADR General Session, Barcelona, Spain, 14-17 Jul
- Association for Dental Education in Europe, Amsterdam, The Netherlands, 25-28 Aug
- European Assoc of Dental Public Health, Constanta, Romania, 9-11 Sept
- American Dental Association, Orlando, USA, 9-12 Oct
- IADR/AADR/CADR, San Diego, USA, 16-19 Mar 2011