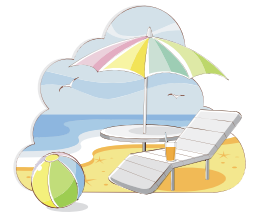




Oral Health Group Newsletter



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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

- Laser therapy for prevention and treatment of dental caries
- Non-fluoride topical remineralising agents for preventing dental caries
- Periodontal therapy for the management of cardiovascular disease

What's new in *The Cochrane Library*? Issues 5, 6 & 7, 2010:-

Updated Reviews

- Interventions for replacing missing teeth: treatment of perimplantitis [[conclusions unchanged](#)]
- Interventions for treating oral candidiasis for patients with cancer receiving treatment [[conclusions unchanged](#)]
- Interventions for replacing missing teeth: antibiotics at dental implant placement to prevent complications [[conclusions unchanged](#)]

New Reviews

- Treatment of periodontal disease for glycaemic control in people with diabetes
- Interventions for the management of external root resorption
- Orthodontics for treating temporomandibular joint (TMJ) disorders

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

2009 impact factor rises to 5.653

The 2009 impact factors (IF) have now been published by Thomson ISI. The *Cochrane Database of Systematic Reviews* has an IF of 5.653 and is ranked 11th out of 132 journals in the ISI category Medicine, General & Internal. Our IF has shown a steady rise in recent years: in 2007 it was 4.654 and the ranking was 14th out of 100 journals; and in 2008 it was 5.182 and the ranking was 12th out of 107 journals. This rise is testament to all the hard work of everyone involved with The Cochrane Collaboration and the continual improvements in the quality of Cochrane reviews through methodological and editorial advances.

New Cochrane OHG Editor

We are delighted to announce the appointment of a new editor to the group, Trevor Johnson. Several members of the editorial team met Trevor when he undertook the Faculty of General Dental Practice course on evidence based dentistry in 2002. The ozone review was the outcome of the course and since then Trevor has been very enthusiastic in his involvement with the COHG acting as a referee and is currently a reviewer on the flossing review. Trevor is Postgraduate Tutor for North Yorkshire, Yorkshire and Humber Deanery and strongly promotes evidence based practice.

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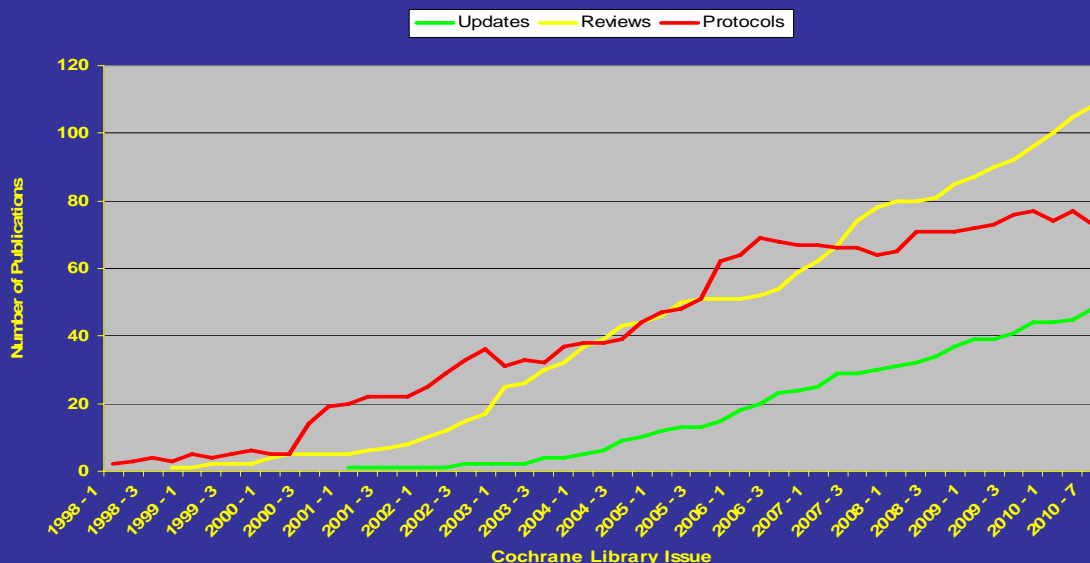
Cochrane News

- **Colloquium - early registration deadline extension.** The first joint colloquium of the Cochrane and Campbell Collaborations will be held in Keystone, Colorado, 18-22 October. Early registration has been extended to 13 July. Please follow the link on www.cochrane.org.
- **Calls for members of the Oversight Committee for *The Cochrane Library*.** The Cochrane Collaboration is currently looking for members for this committee, the full remit of which is available on request. In brief it will support the independence of the Editor in Chief of *The Cochrane Library*, resolve any disputes, and advise the Steering Group on the performance of *The Cochrane Library* and the Editor in Chief. For more information please go to: www.cochrane.org/news/calls-members-oversight-committee-cochrane-library.
- **New funding for Cochrane Canada.** The Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR) recently announced \$9.6 million in funding over the next five years to Cochrane Canada to help fulfill its mission of cultivating evidence-based health decision-making by promoting the use and accessibility of Cochrane Reviews. Cochrane Canada is composed of five Review Groups, two Methods Groups, one Field, 18 Regional sites and 26 partner organizations. The activities of Cochrane Canada are co-ordinated by the Canadian Cochrane Centre. Congratulations to Cochrane Canada! For more information please go to: www.cochrane.org/tags/news/current-news.

Author tips

- When you have finished your protocol and want to begin writing up the review you will need to change the writing stage so that the 'greyed out' headings become available to you. In the left hand 'outline pane' click on 'intervention review' and then on the 'Properties' tab (symbol is 2 grey cogs). A properties box will open and you can now click on 'Full review' under 'Stage' in the 'General' tab. Click ok and the review headings will now be unlocked.
- Changes to the order of the authors in the byline of the review must be made in RevMan and can only be done by the Contact Person for the review. Right click on an author in the byline and then click either 'Move Up' or 'Move Down'.

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

- September**
- 9-10: [Workshop on preparing a DTA systematic review, Amsterdam, The Netherlands](#)
 - 27-30: [The Cochrane Retreat \(review completion course for\), Dumfriesshire, Scotland, UK](#)
 - 28: [Developing a protocol for a review, York, UK](#)
 - 29: [Introduction to analysis, York, UK](#)
- October**
- 12: [Developing a protocol for a review, Copenhagen, Denmark](#)
 - 18-22: [Joint Colloquium of the Campbell and Cochrane Collaborations, Keystone, Colorado, USA](#)
- November**
- 2: [Beginning a systematic review protocol, Belfast, N Ireland, UK](#)
 - 3: [The methods section of the protocol, Belfast, N Ireland, UK](#)
 - 8-12: [Systematic review protocol completion and review update workshop, Vellore, India](#)
 - 15-19: [Review completion and update program, Melbourne, Australia](#)
 - 17: [Analysis methods for systematic reviews, Oxford, UK](#)
 - 30: [Review completion and update program, Sydney, Australia](#)

2010/11 Conference dates!

- 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
- Society for Clinical Trials, Vancouver, Canada, 15-18 May
- British Dental Association, Manchester, UK, 19-21 May