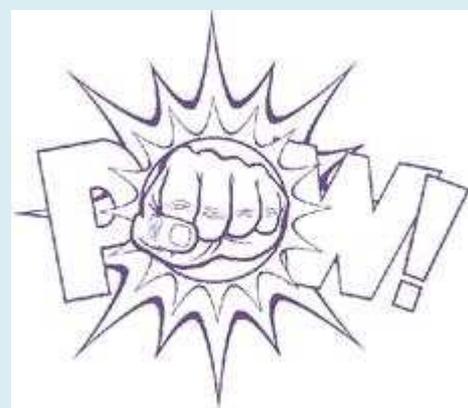


1. New **IF** for the Cochrane Database of Systematic Reviews: **6.032**

Thomson ISI has released the 2014 Journal Citation Report (JCR), and the **Impact Factor (IF) for the Cochrane Database of Systematic Reviews (CDSR) is 6.032**. This is an **increase on the 2013 Impact Factor**, which was 5.939.

Some highlights of the 2014 Impact Factor include the following:

- The **CDSR is ranked 13 of the 153 journals in the Medicine, General & Internal category**.
- The **CDSR** received 11,932 cites in the 2014 Impact Factor period, compared with 9,859 for the 2013 Impact Factor calculation.
- The total number of times the **CDSR** was cited increased from 39,856 in 2013 to 43,592 in 2014 meaning the **CDSR** received the 6th highest number of citations in its category.
- The 5-Year Impact Factor is 6.536.



If you would like to know how the Impact Factor is calculated or have any further questions, please see the Frequently Asked Questions document on the Cochrane Library: <http://www.cochranelibrary.com/cochrane-database-of-systematic-reviews/index.html>

2. Reminder! Please complete the survey: developing an online version of the 'Getting to grips with Evidence Based Dermatology' course

We emailed this survey to you nearly a month ago – please can you **respond to the survey through the link below if you haven't already done so?** <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/MLGJBR5>

You will be asked a maximum of 10 questions, and the survey should only take around 5 minutes to complete.



The survey will help our colleagues **assess the feasibility of developing an online version of the Centre of Evidence Based Dermatology's fully accredited course (formerly BEES)** for healthcare professionals and researchers with an interest in the principles of dermato-epidemiology, statistics and critical appraisal, which has been running for the past 2 decades.

3. Congratulations to CSG Editor, Ching-Chi, & farewell, Yu Shiun!



We are pleased to announce that our Methodological Editor / CSG Dermatology Editor, **Ching-Chi, has been promoted to a Professor** – well done, Ching-Chi, and well deserved! Ching-Chi is based at the Department of Dermatology and Centre for Evidence-Based Medicine, Chang Gung Memorial Hospital, Chiayi, Taiwan.

We would also like to **wish Yu Shiun all the best** for her return to Chang Gung Memorial Hospital, Chiayi. It's **been a pleasure to have her working with us** at the Editorial Base, and we hope she's enjoyed her time here and will transpose her newly learnt skills to her job as a librarian in Taiwan.

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