



Cochrane Skin Group

*“Just 3 from
the CSG”*



1. Keeping up to date with the literature around your review topic



Liz at the CSG runs searches for your reviews, but **it is useful for teams to keep up to date with their topic in between searches.**

One way to do this is to set electronic alerts.

You can do this in PubMed® by saving a search and requesting that when new papers are published that meet your search criteria, the references are emailed to you.

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There is lots of information on saving and managing PubMed searches at <http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/books/NBK53592/>.

2. UK-Based CRG Report

The CSG has received the National Institute for Health Research's summary report of UK-Based CRGs. We thought you'd be interested to know how often Skin Group reviews are cited in other publications.



The following were our **top 5 cited reviews in 2012:**

[Interventions for bullous pemphigoid](#)
[Interventions for vitiligo](#)
[Interventions for cellulitis and erysipelas](#)
[Interventions for non-metastatic squamous cell carcinoma of the skin](#)
[Interventions for preventing occupational irritant hand dermatitis](#)

...and these are our **most downloaded (in full text) reviews in 2013:**

[Topical treatments for cutaneous warts](#)
[Interventions for actinic keratoses](#)
[Topical treatments for chronic plaque psoriasis](#)
[Interventions for cellulitis and erysipelas](#)
[Interventions for impetigo](#)

Of course, these **figures do not include all the people who take a quick look at the Plain Language Summary, the Abstract, or the Authors' Conclusions.**

For the full UK-Based CRG Report, please see the attached PDF.

3. Tribute to Jim Dellit



We are sad to announce the death of Jim Dellit to our Cochrane Skin Group community. Jim, a long-term consumer contributor with the CSG, passed away suddenly on 28th May 2014. Dr Fiona Bath-Hextall worked with Jim on the published review 'Interventions for preventing non-melanoma skin cancers in high-risk groups' and has written the following for us:

"Although I never met Jim in person he felt very much like a friend, probably because he wrote such wonderful emails. Jim was a pleasure to work with and nothing was too much trouble. His contribution to the systematic reviews that he worked on is much appreciated by all of the co-reviewers. One of his contributions to the reviews was to ensure that the findings from the review could be understood by anyone who should be interested in reading them. This might seem a simple thing to do but writing clearly in a language intelligible by all is a skill in itself. We will miss Jim."

The following is a link to a tribute page, which Jim's wife, Jillian, set up through their blog: <http://www.jdellit.com.au/2014/06/09/remembering-jim-dellit/>.

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