JOURNAL ARTICLES (PEER-REVIEWED/INDEXED)


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SCIENTIFIC LETTERS


2. Siegfried N, Pienaar D. Health professionals don't feel secure in their own country. Lancet 2008 May 10;371(9624):1576


COMMENTARIES

1. Cleary M, Walter G, Matheson S, Siegfried N. Randomised controlled trials of psychosocial interventions in a mental health setting: how can the gold standard be achieved? Nursing Challenges in the 21st century 2008;7-10


CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS


PROTOCOLS FOR COCHRANE REVIEWS


CONFERENCES

International

Plenary Speaker


Invited Speaker

1. Pienaar E. Understanding the Cochrane protocol, from bench to practice. 10th Annual Meeting for the International Society of Addiction Medicine, 16-20 November 2008, Cape Town


3. Wiysonge C. Beyond systematic reviews: translating reliable research evidence into policy and management decisions on women's and child's health in sub-Saharan Africa. 6th Canadian Cochrane Symposium, Toronto, Canada. 6-7 March 2008

Oral Presentation


3. Grobler L, Pienaar E, Siegfried N. Eisinga A. Challenges of developing a geographic search filter to identify randomized controlled trials in Africa: finding the optimal balance between sensitivity and precision. 16th International Cochrane Colloquium, Freiburg, Germany. 3-7 October 2008


5. Young T. The SUPPORT Collaboration: SUPporting POlicy relevant Reviews and Trials. Nigerian Cochrane Contributors' Meeting, Abuja, Nigeria. 4-6 February 2008

6. Young T. Introduction to The Cochrane Collaboration, SACC, and Nigerian Branch of the SACC. Nigerian Cochrane Contributors' Meeting, Abuja, Nigeria. 4-6 February 2008

7. Young T. Functions and role of the South African Cochrane Centre (SACC) and the relationship with the Nigeria Branch of the SACC. Nigerian Cochrane Contributors' Meeting, Abuja, Nigeria. 4-6 February 2008


Poster


2. Pienaar E, Siegfried N. Identification and characterization of systematic reviews in HIV/AIDS. 16th International Cochrane Colloquium, Freiburg, Germany. 3-7 October 2008

3. Young T, MacLehose H, Volmink J, Garner P, Siegfried N. Reviews for Africa Programme: what 3 years of RAPping can do for you! 16th International Cochrane Colloquium, Freiburg, Germany. 3-7 October 2008
Workshop Facilitator


2. **Pienaar E, Cahill K, Nasser M.** RevMan 5 for Cochrane Intervention review authors. 16th International Cochrane Colloquium, Freiburg, Germany. 3-7 October 2008

3. **Pienaar E, Cahill K, Nasser M, Kjeldstrom M.** RevMan 5 for Cochrane Intervention review authors – learn to use all the features hands-on. 16th International Cochrane Colloquium, Freiburg, Germany 3-7 October 2008

4. **Swaroop VS, Wiffen P, Pienaar E, Mathew J.** Train the trainers of evidence-based healthcare workshops. 16th Cochrane Colloquium, Freiburg, Germany. 3-7 October 2008

5. **Aja G, Young T, Lesi A.** Communicating reliable health research information to the public. Nigerian Cochrane Contributors' meeting. Abuja, Nigeria. 6 February 2008

Local

Invited Speaker


Oral Presentation


3. **Wiysonge CS, Rosenbaum S, Glentron C, Oxman A, Young T.** on behalf of the SUPPORT Collaboration. Involving policymakers in summarising research evidence for a policymaker audience: what have we learned? 4th Public Health Association of South Africa (PHASA), Cape Town. 2-4 June 2008

4. **Siegfried N.** Using systematic reviews to inform evidence-based policy and practice in poor countries: Challenges and facilitators. 4th Public Health Association of South Africa (PHASA), Cape Town. 2-4 June 2008

5. **Young T, Wiysonge C.** on behalf of the SUPPORT Collaboration. Supporting policy-relevant reviews and trials on maternal and child health in low- and middle income countries. 4th Public Health Association of South Africa (PHASA), Cape Town. 2-4 June 2008


Poster

1. **Grobler L, Siegfried N.** HIV/AIDS, TB and Malaria (ATM) Clinical Trials Registry: How the registry supports HIV-related clinical research. MRC HIV Symposium, MRC Conference Centre, Cape Town. 28 March 2008

Workshop Facilitator

1. **Young T, Siegfried N, Wiysonge C.** Getting the evidence right: practicing evidence-based public health. 4th Public Health Association of South Africa (PHASA), Cape Town. 2-4 June 2008

TEACHING AND TRAINING

Lectures

1. Systematic reviews and meta-analysis module to Masters of Clinical Epidemiology students at Stellenbosch University. University of Stellenbosch, Cape Town. 16 July - 30 October 2008

2. Lecture on principles of research synthesis to Masters of Clinical Epidemiology students at Stellenbosch University. Cape Town. 1 April 2008

3. Lecture on accessing the evidence to South African Infectious Disease Clinical Research Training Program, Summer Institute. Cape Town. 4 March 2008

5. Lecture on framing research questions to Masters of Clinical Epidemiology students at Stellenbosch University. Cape Town. 11 February 2008

6. Lectures on analytic study design: Cohort and case control studies to Masters of Clinical Epidemiology students at Stellenbosch University. Cape Town. 12 February 2008

7. Lecture on measures of disease frequency/occurrence to Masters of Clinical Epidemiology students at Stellenbosch University. Cape Town. 13 February 2008

Workshops

1. What's so special about a systematic review and The Cochrane Library. Presentation to University of Stellenbosch 3rd year medical students. University of Stellenbosch, Cape Town. 6 October 2008

2. Evidence-based medicine module for PhD students at the National University of Rwanda. INTERACT Project. Kigali, Rwanda. 22-27 September 2008

3. Reviews for Africa Programme (RAP): Training in the science of research synthesis for Cochrane authors of systematic reviews (protocol development course). Cape Town. 1-26 September 2008

4. What's so special about a systematic review and The Cochrane Library. Presentation to University of Stellenbosch 3rd year medical students. University of Stellenbosch, Cape Town. 11 August 2008


7. What's so special about systematic reviews. Faculty of Medicine and Biomedical Sciences, University of Yaoundé I. Yaoundé, Cameroon. 10 July 2008

8. What's so special about systematic reviews. Yaoundé Central Hospital. Yaoundé, Cameroon. 9 July 2008

9. Two-day research synthesis course at the Medical Research Council. Durban. 3-4 July 2008

10. Three-day workshop on systematic reviews and meta-analysis. Faculty of Health Sciences, University of Buea. Buea, Cameroon. 2-4 July 2008

11. Reviews for Africa Programme (RAP): Training in the science of research synthesis for Cochrane authors of systematic reviews (review completion course). Cape Town. 9-27 June 2008

12. What's so special about a systematic review and The Cochrane Library. Presentation to University of Stellenbosch 3rd year medical students. University of Stellenbosch, Cape Town. 9 June 2008

13. What's so special about a systematic review and an introduction to The Cochrane Library. Medical Research Council, Durban. 7 May 2008


15. What's so special about a systematic review and The Cochrane Library. Presentation to University of Stellenbosch 3rd year medical students. University of Stellenbosch, Cape Town. 7 April 2008

16. What's so special about a systematic review and The Cochrane Library. Presentation to University of Stellenbosch 3rd year medical students. University of Stellenbosch, Cape Town. 11 February 2008


18. What's so special about a systematic review and The Cochrane Library. Presentation to University of Stellenbosch 3rd year nutrition students. University of Stellenbosch, Cape Town. 23 January 2008
INTELLECTUAL INPUT

International

Grobler L

Oliver J
2. Member, Cochrane Monitoring and Registration Group. October 2006 - October 2009

Pienaar E
3. Member, Trial Search Coordinator's Executive Group. March 2008 - ongoing
4. Peer Reviewer, Medical Mycology. February 2008
5. Member, RevMan 5 Documentation Subgroup. 2007 - ongoing
6. Trials Search Co-ordinator Representative, Cochrane News Advisory Committee. 2006 - 2010
7. Member, Cochrane Collaboration REVMAN Advisory Group. 2001 - ongoing
8. Member, Cochrane Collaboration Information Management System Group. 2001 - ongoing

Siegfried N
1. Academic Editor, PLoS ONE. April and May 2008
3. Peer Reviewer, Clinical Infectious Diseases. February 2008
4. Peer Reviewer, UK Medical Research Council, Clinical Trials. January 2008
5. Honorary Visiting Fellow, United Kingdom Cochrane Centre. October 2007 - March 2010
6. Assistant Clinical Professor, University of California, San Francisco. July 2007 - ongoing
7. Member, Cochrane Methodology Risk of Bias Expert Group. 2005 - ongoing
10. Contact Editor, Cochrane Drug and Alcohol Review Group. 2002 -

Volmink J
2. Peer Reviewer, BMJ. February 2008
3. Member, Wellcome Trust Populations and Public Health Funding Committee. 2006 -
4. Honorary Research Fellow, Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine. 2001 - 2011
6. Editor, Cochrane Infectious Diseases Review Group. 1996 - ongoing
Wiysonge C

Young T
1. Editor, Cochrane Sexually Transmitted Diseases Review Group. July 2008 -
3. Member, 16th Cochrane Colloquium Consumer Stipend Committee. Feb - Oct 2008
4. Member, 16th Cochrane Colloquium Workshop Committee. Feb - Oct 2008
5. Section Editor, Cochrane Column in International Journal of Epidemiology. 2005 -
6. Advisory Group Member, Cochrane Public Health and Health Promotion Field. 2004 - April 2008

Local
Siegfried N
1. Peer Reviewer, MRC Scientific Review Ethics Committee. May and July 2008
2. Peer Reviewer, HIVSA2 Project Advisory Board Mid-term progress report. March 2008
3. Committee member, Academy of Science of SA Consensus Study: Clinical Research and related training in South Africa. 2007 -
4. Honorary Senior Lecturer, Department of Public Health, University of Cape Town. 2007 - 2010

Volmink J
1. Peer Reviewer, SAMJ. April 2008
2. Trustee, United Farmer's Fund. February 2008 - ongoing
3. Committee member, Academy of Science of SA Consensus Study: Clinical Research and related training in South Africa. 2007 -
4. Trustee, National Health Laboratory Services Research Fund. 2006 -
5. Council Member, Academy of Science of South Africa. 2004 -
6. Chair, Clinical Guidelines Advisory Committee, Western Cape Department of Health. 2003 -
7. Selection Committee of Harvard/South Africa Fellowship (Chairperson since 2006). 1991 -

Young T
1. Extraordinary Lecturer, University of Stellenbosch. July 2008 - ongoing
2. Editor, Current Allergy and Clinical Immunology. 2006 -
3. Member, Scientific Review Committee for the MRC Ethics Committee. 2006 - 2008
5. Advisory Board Member, South African Centre for Evidence Based Nursing and Midwifery. 2005 -

SUPERVISION OF HIGHER DEGREES
Siegfried N
1. Helen Buchanan, PhD, University of Cape Town. 2007 - ongoing
Young T
1. Babalwa Zani, Masters, University of KwaZulu Natal. 2007 - ongoing

EXAMINATION OF HIGHER DEGREES

Siegfried N
1. External examiner, University of Cape Town - 2008

Volmink J
1. External examiner, MMED, University of Cape Town - 2008

CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT
1. Thirty-two first-time authors are receiving mentoring through the SACC HIV/AIDS Mentoring Programme. SACC staff are responsible for mentoring a total of fifteen first-time authors
2. MRC research staff and researchers from local institutions attend the SACC monthly systematic review problem-busting sessions. Cochrane Review authors are given the opportunity to present their work, receive feedback and assistance with the preparation of their reviews
3. Eight authors (7 South Africa, 1 Gambia) attended the Cape Town Cochrane HIV/AIDS Review Completion School through a SACC grant received from the Cochrane HIV/AIDS Review Group, University of California
4. MRC research staff and researchers from local institutions attend the SACC monthly systematic review problem-busting sessions. Cochrane Review authors are given the opportunity to present their work, receive feedback and assistance with the preparation of their reviews
5. The SACC hosts a journal club twice a month
6. Seven authors (5 Nigeria, 1 Cameroon, 1 Kenya) attended the Reviews for Africa Programme (review completion course) through a SACC grant received from the Nuffield Commonwealth Programme, The Nuffield Foundation, UK
7. Five authors (1 Cameroon, 4 Kenya) attended the Reviews for Africa Programme (protocol development course) through a SACC grant received from the Nuffield Commonwealth Programme, The Nuffield Foundation, UK
8. Four researchers (2 Mozambique, 2 Zimbabwe) attended the Protocol development and RevMan training course through a SACC grant received from the Norwegian Knowledge Centre for the Health Services, Norway for the SUPPORT Collaboration