Greetings from Edinburgh!

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Along with summer comes the latest news from the Cochrane Vascular editorial base. Read on for details of publications this year to date and information to help authors. Remember you can visit our website to see all our reviews as well as our recently created page detailing guidelines citing our reviews.

News

Congratulations to the authors of Clinically-indicated replacement versus routine replacement of peripheral venous catheters which has reached a new altmetric attention score high for Cochrane Vascular!

Thomson has released the 2015 Journal Citation Report (JCR), and the Impact Factor for the Cochrane Database of Systematic Reviews (CDSR) is 6.103. This is an increase on the 2014 Impact Factor, which was 6.035.

Do you know of any outdated medical content in Wikipedia? Since Cochrane contributors are aware of the latest research you are encouraged to use the 'edit tab' button at the top of the article and be bold in fixing mistakes and replacing outdated information you come across.

Essential resources
Keep up to date with recent changes in Cochrane policies by visiting our resource portal. If you are authoring a protocol we suggest you watch this very helpful webinar which discusses each section in turn and highlights common mistakes. New resources to help assess for GRADE and create your 'Summary of findings' table can be found here. A revised edition of the Style Guide is also available now.

**Refresher**

The circle formed by two 'C' shapes symbolises the global collaboration of Cochrane contributors. The lines within illustrate the summary results from an iconic systematic review. We call this a forest plot. If you would like a refresher on these, Students 4 Best Evidence have presented a concise description on how to read forest plots.

See below for details of the six updates, six reviews, and five protocols published since the last newsletter. Thank you for all the hard work by authors, editors and referees who have made this possible and to all those currently writing.

**Updates**

**Thoracic stent graft versus surgery for thoracic aneurysm**
Abraha I, Romagnoli C, Montedori A, Cirocchi R

**Phlebotonics for venous insufficiency**
Martínez-Zapata MJ, Vernooij RWM, Urolona Tuma SM, Stein AT, Moreno RM, Vargas E, Capellà D, Bonfill Cosp X

**Padma 28 for intermittent claudication**
Stewart M, Morling JR, Maxwell H

**Calcium channel blockers for primary Raynaud’s phenomenon**
Ennis H, Hughes M, Anderson ME, Wilkinson J, Herrick AL

**Warfarin initiation nomograms for venous thromboembolism**
Garcia P, Ruiz W, Loza Munárriz C

**Anticoagulant treatment for subsegmental pulmonary embolism**
Yoo HHB, Queluz THAT, El Dib R

**Reviews**

**Controlled hypotension versus normotensive resuscitation strategy for people with ruptured abdominal aortic aneurysm**
Moreno DH, Cacione DG, Baptista-Silva JCC
Revascularisation of the left subclavian artery for thoracic endovascular aortic repair
Hajibande H, Hajibande S, Antoniou SA, Torella F, Antoniou GA

Anticoagulants (extended duration) for prevention of venous thromboembolism following total hip or knee replacement or hip fracture repair
Forster R, Stewart M

Pharmacological treatment for Buerger's disease
Cacione DG, Macedo CR, Baptista-Silva JCC

Vascular closure devices for femoral arterial puncture site haemostasis
Robertson L, Andras A, Colgan F, Jackson R

Transperitoneal versus retroperitoneal approach for elective open abdominal aortic aneurysm repair
Ma B, Wang YN, Chen KY, Zhang Y, Pan H, Yang K

Protocols

Graft type for open abdominal aortic surgery
Kakkos SK, Papadoula S, Tsolekas IA, Lampropoulos G

Antiplatelet and anticoagulant agents for preventing recurrence of peripheral vascular thrombosis in patients with Antiphospholipid syndrome

Fast track surgery programmes for abdominal aortic aneurysm surgery
Ormesher DC, Antoniou SA, Neequaye S, Torella F, Antoniou GA

Thrombolysis for acute upper extremity deep vein thrombosis
Feinberg J, Nielsen E, Jakobsen JC

Gene therapy for peripheral arterial disease
Liew A, Bhattacharya V, Shaw J, Stansby G

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