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Editorial Report
2018 and 2019 YTD

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5-year overview

*2019 data is a projection based on actual data as at 31/07/19
Insights 2018 and 2019 YTD

2018: submissions increased by 12% over previous year. Quality improved too. Average weekly publications: 3 articles

2019*: peak of submissions, due to PubMed inclusion. By 31/07, 167 papers received, as much as in the whole 2018

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Publication Data

Increase in submissions by +12%

Rejection rate is unchanged (50%).

In 2018, frequency of publication increased to 12 issues: one issue per month.

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Where do our articles come from?

- Portugal: 50%
- Italy: 7%
- Spain: 6%
- Europe: 12%
- East EU: 4%
- West Asia: 8%
- South Asia: 2%
- East Asia: 1%
- South East Asia: 1%
- North Africa: 3%
- North America: 4%
- Australia: 0%
- Mexico: 2%

NO CHINA NO RUSSIA
Processing time and performance

Average time from:

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*production time includes copyediting, author proof approval and check out payment.
EJCRIM is now fully indexed on PubMed Central. Published articles starting from 2016 are included in PMC.
### Web traffic

#### Time spent on webpages

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#### Most read articles in 2018

- Morini et al. Severe milk-alkali syndrome in a patient with hypoparathyroidism with 1,25(OH)2H, hydrochlorothiazide and anthranoid laxative consumption (2017)
- Vesza et al. Statin related lichenoid dermatosis: an uncommon adverse reaction to a common treatment (2018)
Citations

EJCRIM articles cited about 60 times. 10+ citations per year.

The most cited article is still
von Wowern F, Brizzi M, Holst J. Reversal of the anticoagulation effects of dabigatran etexilate by idarucizumab in three patients needing urgent surgical intervention and one case of intravenous thrombolysis in ischaemic stroke. EJCRIM 2017;4.doi:10.12890/2017_000569 that has been cited 5 times in a year.

The Journal that cites us most is Reactions Weekly by Springer.
Promotion

Monthly e-TOCs when an issue is published
- Table of contents and links to the issue
- Relevant news
- Promotion of future events
- Featured articles

GDPR caused a downfall in contacts

Interested in receiving the newsletter? Check the website or find us at the booth.

And our social channels…
Facebook still plays an important role in the journal’s circulation life.

Our audience seems to appreciate this outlet for newly published articles, forthcoming events and flash “useful news” and announcements. EJCRIM’s facebook page has to date 2,700 spontaneous likes.

A Twitter account has been recently inaugurated. Follow us: @ejcrim

Future local events and conferences can be promoted through our social channels.
Future endeavours

Involve *industries* in order to:

- publish cases collections
- Offer their KOLs the chance to publish free online
- advertise through banners

Liase more with *national societies*

- case reports competitions at your national event
- link exchanges
- promote your event through our channels
- book of abstract service

New types of articles?

**ECIM’s Abstract Book is edited by EJCRIM**
available **www.ejcrim.com** in September
New types of articles published

- **Hospital Grand Rounds**
  - Topics discussed as Med School Grand Rounds
  - Scouted by our Editorial Board Members
  - Include a description of the Hospital
  - 2 published since launch: 1 from Slovenia, 1 from Italy

Is it time for new types of articles?
5 per 10,000 of the population
Over 6000 diseases
6 and 8 % of the population affected

• around 80% of rare are genetic
• 80% of all rare disease patients are affected by 350 diseases.
• most life threatening or disabling
• around 50 to 75% of all rare diseases affect children
• around 30% of children with a rare disease die before their 5th birthday
• late diagnosis, absent diagnosis or incorrect diagnosis are commonplace

Showing results for adrenal insufficiency, alacrima and achalasia
Search instead for adrenal insufficiency, alacrima and achalasia

AAA syndrome—adrenal insufficiency, alacrima and achalasia | QJM ...
https://academic.oup.com/qjm/article/106/12/607/2162470
by IR Wallace - 2011 - Cited by 3 - Related articles
Aug 24, 2011 - AAA syndrome is a rare autosomal recessive disorder characterized by ACTH-resistant adrenal insufficiency, alacrima and achalasia. In ...

Adrenal Insufficiency achalasia alacrima - Orphanet
https://www.orpha.net/.../Disease_Disease...disease...Disease...Type...Disease...
Triple A syndrome is a very rare multisystem disease characterized by adrenal insufficiency with isolated glucocorticoid deficiency, achalasia, alacrima,...

Triple A syndrome - Genetic and Rare Diseases Information Center - NIH
A collection of disease information resources and questions answered by our Genetic ... Achalasia
Addisonianism Alacrimia syndrome. AAA syndrome. AAA,...
Summary Symptoms Treatment Related Diseases
AAA syndrome—adrenal insufficiency, alacrima and achalasia

I.R. Wallace, S.J. Hunter

Published: 24 August 2011

An 8-year-old girl presented with a hypoglycaemic seizure and dark cutaneous pigmentation (Figure 1A and B). Response to parasympathetic stimulation was inadequate.
Systemic Capillary Leak Syndrome

NORD gratefully acknowledges Phillip R. Greipp, M.D., Professor of Medicine and Laboratory Medicine and Pathology at the Mayo Clinic College of Medicine for creating this report.

Synonyms of Systemic Capillary Leak Syndrome
- Clarkson's Syndrome
- SCLS

General Discussion
Diffuse idiopathic pulmonary neuroendocrine cell hyperplasia (DIPNECH) is a rare and poorly understood lung condition that is characterized by the abnormal overgrowth of certain cells in the lung (called pulmonary neuroendocrine cells) that receive signals from nerve cells (neurons) and produce hormones. People with this diagnosis may have no obvious symptoms or may exhibit features of airway disease such as a chronic...
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