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The increased development of the number of journals with impact factors in nursing

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ABSTRACT

The investigation concerning the development of impact journals in the field of nursing for the period 2011–2013 was carried out. This investigation follows a similar survey carried out between 2005 and 2010. In recent years, we can see the growth in the number of journals in the field of nursing, as it was during the previous time period. For the period 2002–2013, the number of newly listed titles grew from 34 to 109 titles. This fact evidences the growing importance of nursing and nursing research in order to permanently increase the quality of patient care at all levels.

At the same time, it offers professionals in this field more options for publishing in the world major periodicals.

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Introduction

During the monitoring of the development of the number of impact medical journals, we repeatedly discovered a high increase of their numbers in the field of nursing [1,2]. We informed about it gradually in Czech and Slovak journals, and the latest known data are for 2010 [1,3–5].

In this survey, we monitored the increased development of this indicator during the following period from the relevant data available. We briefly compared them with the developments in other medical fields in this discussion.

Materials and methods

We obtained the data on the number of journals with impact factors in the field of nursing (Nursing category) from the database Journal Citation Reports (hereafter JCR) [6] from both of its editions – Science Edition (hereafter SE) and Social Science Edition (hereafter SSE) for the years 2011, 2012 and 2013. We compared which periodicals kept in the category of Nursing in SSE are also kept in this category in SE and based on this, we determined the total number of journals with impact factors in nursing.

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Table 1 – List of periodicals in the category of Nursing (SE and SSE of JCR), 2013.

| Abbreviation of the journal | ISSN | Citations in total | IF | Number of articles |
|-----------------------------|-----------|--------------------|-------|--------------------|
| Oncol Nurs Forum | 0190-535X | 2751 | 2.830 | 51 |
| Worldv Evid-Based Nu | 1545-102X | 468 | 2.318 | 19 |
| Int J Nurs Stud | 0020-7489 | 4214 | 2.248 | 159 |
| Birth-Iss Perinat C | 0730-7659 | 1744 | 2.048 | 39 |
| Int J Ment Health Nu | 1445-8330 | 745 | 2.009 | 60 |
| J Hum Lact | 0890-3344 | 1049 | 1.977 | 75 |
| J Pediatr Health Car | 0891-5245 | 651 | 1.970 | 53 |
| Cancer Nurs | 0162-220X | 2543 | 1.931 | 89 |
| Nurs Outlook | 0029-6554 | 821 | 1.831 | 46 |
| Eur J Cardiovasc Nur | 1474-5151 | 714 | 1.828 | 50 |
| J Tissue Viability | 0965-206X | 238 | 1.812 | 15 |
| J Cardiovasc Nurs | 0889-4655 | 1172 | 1.809 | 64 |
| Eur J Oncol Nurs | 1462-3889 | 1057 | 1.794 | 120 |
| Pain Manag Nurs | 1524-9042 | 483 | 1.787 | 64 |
| J Nurs Scholarship | 1527-6546 | 1334 | 1.772 | 47 |
| Eur J Cancer Care | 0961-5423 | 1692 | 1.762 | 89 |
| Midwifery | 0266-6138 | 1672 | 1.707 | 163 |
| Women Birth | 1871-5192 | 277 | 1.696 | 64 |
| J Adv Nurs | 0309-2402 | 11,383 | 1.685 | 244 |
| Adv Skin Wound Care | 1527-7941 | 813 | 1.634 | 42 |
| Am J Crit Care | 1062-3264 | 1690 | 1.600 | 58 |
| J Fam Nurs | 1074-8407 | 435 | 1.568 | 20 |
| Nurs Res | 0029-6562 | 3192 | 1.500 | 53 |
| Nur Educ Today | 0260-6917 | 2503 | 1.456 | 261 |
| Western J Nurs Res | 0193-9459 | 1301 | 1.375 | 79 |
| J Nurs Admin | 0002-0443 | 1715 | 1.373 | 103 |
| Aust J Rural Health | 1038-5282 | 801 | 1.343 | 59 |
| Biol Res Nurs | 1099-8004 | 554 | 1.341 | 53 |
| Heart Lung | 0147-9563 | 1715 | 1.320 | 74 |
| Am J Nurs | 0002-936X | 1028 | 1.319 | 40 |
| Aust Crit Care | 1036-7314 | 259 | 1.265 | 23 |
| J Clin Nurs | 0962-1067 | 5831 | 1.233 | 354 |
| J Assoc Nurse AIDS C | 1055-3290 | 714 | 1.228 | 63 |
| JOGNN-J Obst Gyn Neo | 0884-2175 | 1626 | 1.195 | 80 |
| Res Nurs Health | 0160-6891 | 2814 | 1.163 | 49 |
| J Nurs Manage | 0966-0429 | 1575 | 1.142 | 105 |
| Appl Nurs Res | 0897-1897 | 719 | 1.139 | 49 |
| J Emerg Nurs | 0099-1767 | 735 | 1.131 | 91 |
| J Nurs Care Qual | 1057-3631 | 602 | 1.094 | 44 |
| Nurs Ethics | 0969-7330 | 1074 | 1.093 | 64 |
| Crit Care Nurse | 0279-5442 | 479 | 1.074 | 28 |
| Nurs Inq | 1320-7881 | 606 | 1.046 | 34 |
| J Spec Pediatr Nurs | 1539-0136 | 335 | 1.045 | 32 |
| J Midwifery Wom Heal | 1526-9523 | 1113 | 1.039 | 77 |
| Arch Psychiatr Nurs | 0883-9417 | 693 | 1.032 | 42 |
| J Perinat Neonat Nur | 0893-2190 | 450 | 1.014 | 31 |
| J Sch Nurs | 1059-8405 | 424 | 1.011 | 41 |
| J Wound Ostomy Cont | 1071-5754 | 806 | 1.000 | 65 |
| J Psychiatr Ment Hlt | 1351-0126 | 1589 | 0.978 | 110 |
| J Child Health Care | 1367-4935 | 323 | 0.970 | 33 |
| J Clin J Oncol Nurs | 1092-1095 | 714 | 0.945 | 96 |
| Geriatr Nurs | 0197-4572 | 481 | 0.922 | 54 |
| J Pediatr Nurs | 0882-5963 | 1019 | 0.916 | 77 |
| J Neurosci Nurs | 0888-0395 | 573 | 0.907 | 50 |
| Clin Nurse Spec | 0887-6274 | 343 | 0.904 | 44 |
| Int J Nurs Termin Cl | 1541-5147 | 113 | 0.895 | Not stated |
| Public Health Nurs | 0737-1209 | 1055 | 0.886 | 59 |
| J Perianesth Nurs | 1089-9472 | 309 | 0.885 | 26 |
| J Prof Nurs | 8755-7223 | 788 | 0.883 | 63 |
| J Pediatr Oncol Nurs | 1043-4542 | 614 | 0.873 | 36 |
| J Psychosoc Nurs Men | 0279-3695 | 534 | 0.873 | 60 |
| Clin Nurs Res | 1054-7738 | 438 | 0.870 | 27 |
| J Am Acad Nurse Prac | 1041-2972 | 926 | 0.868 | 86 |
| Nurs Crit Care | 1362-1017 | 451 | 0.868 | 33 |
| Adv Nurs Sci | 0161-9268 | 841 | 0.867 | 33 |

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