

South African Cochrane Centre Outputs

January – December 2010

JOURNAL ARTICLES (PEER-REVIEWED/INDEXED)

1. Mbuagbaw LCE, Irlam JH, Spaulding A, Rutherford GW, **Siegfried N**. Efavirenz or nevirapine in three-drug combination therapy with two nucleoside-reverse transcriptase inhibitors for initial treatment of HIV infection in antiretroviral-naïve individuals. *Cochrane Database Syst Rev* 2010 Dec 8;12:CD004246
2. Irlam JH, Visser MME, Rollins NN, **Siegfried N**. Micronutrient supplementation in children and adults with HIV infection. *Cochrane Database Syst Rev* 2010 Dec 8;12:CD003650
3. **Abrams A, Siegfried N**. The Pan African Clinical Trials Registry: year one data analysis of the only African member of the World Health Organization Network of Primary Registries. *JEBM* 3 (2010) 195-200
4. **Pienaar ED, Young T**, Holmes H. Interventions for the prevention and management of oropharyngeal candidiasis associated with HIV infection in adults and children. *Cochrane Database Syst Rev* 2010 Nov 10;11:CD003940
5. Rosenbaum SE, Glenton C, Wiysonge CS, Abalos E, Mignini L, **Young T**, et al. Evidence summaries tailored to health policy-makers in low- and middle-income countries. *Bull World Health Organ* 22 November 2010; ID: BLT.10.075481 [Epub]
6. Spaulding A, Rutherford GW, **Siegfried N**. Tenofovir or zidovudine in three-drug combination therapy with one nucleoside reverse transcriptase inhibitor and one non-nucleoside reverse transcriptase inhibitor for initial treatment of HIV infection in antiretroviral-naïve individuals. *Cochrane Database Syst Rev* 2010 Oct 6;10:CD008740
7. Spaulding A, Rutherford GW, **Siegfried N**. Stavudine or zidovudine in three-drug combination therapy for initial treatment of HIV infection in antiretroviral-naïve individuals. *Cochrane Database Syst Rev* 2010 Aug 4;8:CD008651
8. Olowoyeye A, **Okwundu CI**. Gene therapy for sickle cell disease. *Cochrane Database Syst Rev* 2010, Aug 4 8: CD007652
9. **Siegfried N, Volmink J**, Dhansay A. Does South Africa need a clinical trials unit. *S Afr Med J* 2010; 100: 521-524
10. Holmes MD, Dalal S, **Volmink J**, Adebamowo CA, Njelekela M, Fawzi WW, Willett WC, Adami HO. Non-communicable diseases in sub-Saharan Africa: the case for cohort studies. *PLoS Med* 2010 May 11;7(5):e1000244
11. **Siegfried N**, Uthman OA, Rutherford GW. Optimal time for initiation of antiretroviral therapy in asymptomatic, HIV-infected, treatment-naïve adults. *Cochrane Database Syst Rev* 2010, Issue 3. Art. No.: CD008272
12. **Young T**, Busgeeth K. Home-based care for reducing morbidity and mortality in people infected with HIV/AIDS. *Cochrane Database Syst Rev* 2010, Issue 1. Art. No.: CD005417
13. Akolo C, Adetifa I, Shepperd S, **Volmink J**. Treatment of latent tuberculosis infection in HIV infected persons. *Cochrane Database Syst Rev* 2010 Jan 20;(1):CD000171

LETTERS

1. Swart A, Chisholm B, Cohen K, Blockman M, Kinkel H-F, **Kredo T**. The impact of the National HIV Health Care Worker Hotline. *S Afr Med J* 2010; 100: 786
2. **Siegfried N**, Wiysonge CS, Pienaar D. Too little, too late: measles epidemic in South Africa. *Lancet* 2010 July;376(9736):160

EDITORIALS

1. Mgone C, **Volmink J**, Coles D, Makanga M, Jaffar S, Sewankambo N. Linking research and development to strengthen health systems in Africa. *Trop Med Int Health* 2010 Dec;15(12):1404-6. doi: 10.1111/j.1365-3156.2010.02661.x. Epub 2010 Oct 18
2. **Abrams A, Siegfried N**. A Pan-African Clinical Trials Registry for the specific needs of triallists on the continent. *S Afr Med J* 2010; 100: 294-5

COMMENTARIES

1. **Siegfried N**, Mathews C. Commentary: All is not what it seems: a systematic review and meta-analysis of quantitative interviewing tools to investigate self-reported HIV and STI-associated behaviours in low- and middle-income countries. *Int J Epidemiol* 2010 Dec;39(6):1556-7. Epub 2010 Oct 19
2. **Young T, Siegfried N**, Muller M, Deeks J, **Volmink J**, Gray R, Tobian A, Kigozi G, Wawer M, Serwadda D, Pisani E. Cochrane Column: Male circumcision for preventing heterosexual acquisition of HIV in men. *Int J Epidemiol* 2010 Jul 12. [Epub ahead of print]

COCHRANE PROTOCOLS

1. Christie J, O'Halloran P, Caan W, Cardwell CR, **Young T**, Rao M. Workplace-based organisational interventions to prevent and control obesity by improving dietary intake and/or increasing physical activity (Protocol). *Cochrane Database Syst Rev* 2010, Issue 6. Art. No.: CD008546
2. Lewis IS, Joska JA, **Siegfried N**. Antidepressants for depression in adults with HIV infection (Protocol). *Cochrane Database Syst Rev* 2010, Issue 5. Art. No.: CD008525
3. Ezedunukwe I, **Okwundu CI**. Economic interventions for prevention of HIV risk and HIV infection (Protocol). *Cochrane Database Syst Rev* 2010, Issue 1. Art. No.: CD008330

TECHNICAL REPORTS

1. **Kredo T**, Gerritsen A, van Soelen N, van Heerden J, **Siegfried N**. Report for the Southern African Regional Programme of Access to Medicines and Diagnostics (SARPAM) - Baseline assessment of treatment guidelines and essential medicine lists for the Southern African Developing Community. October 2010
2. **Siegfried N**. Guidelines Development: Provided evidence and conducted review for the WHO ARV guidelines update

OTHER

1. **Oliver J**. Produced a podcast on the HIV Mentoring Programme which was featured on The Cochrane Collaboration's website for World AIDS Day on 1 December 2010
2. **Siegfried N**. Interviewed on SAFM Science Matters on the ASSAf Consensus report on Revitalising Clinical Research in South Africa: A study on clinical research and related training in South Africa on 22 July 2010
3. **Abrams A**. Produced a podcast on the Pan African Clinical Trials Registry which was featured on The Cochrane Collaboration's website for International Clinical Trials day on 20 May 2010
4. **Siegfried N**. Interviewed by Daniel Swart from Newspod on whether emergency contraception should be made more readily available. This was aired on CCfm, bush fm, Voice of Cape, KC Radio in Paarl, Eden fm and 104fm
5. **Young T**. Produced a podcast for the review Home-based care for reducing morbidity and mortality in people infected with HIV/AIDS which was featured on The Cochrane Collaboration's website

CONFERENCES

International

Plenary Speaker

1. **Volmink J**. *Getting the evidence straight - the role of systematic reviews*. African Science Academy Development Initiative (ASADI) VI Conference, Somerset West, Cape Town. 7-10 November 2010
2. **Siegfried N**. *Global health inequalities and the evidence – what are we missing?* Joint Cochrane & Campbell Collaborations Colloquium, Keystone, Colorado. 18-22 October 2010
3. **Volmink J**. *Nutritional interventions for tuberculosis and HIV in South Africa*. 6th Asian-Pacific Conference on Evidence-based Medicine (APCEBM), Wu Hu, China. 23-28 September 2010
4. **Volmink J**. *Strengthening research and health care in sub-Saharan Africa: an African perspective on facilitating coordination of research and development aid funding*. EDCTP Meeting, Connecting the Chain II – Linking Research and Development, The University Foundation, Brussels, Belgium. 9 June 2010

Oral Presentations

1. **Zani B, Abrams A.** *The Pan African Clinical Trials Registry*. Open Access Africa, Nairobi, Kenya. 10-11 November 2010
2. **Abrams A.** *The Pan African Clinical Trials Registry: developing standard operating procedures*. WHO International Clinical Trials Registry Platform Meeting, Geneva, Switzerland. 11-12 November 2010
3. **Abrams A.** *The Pan African Clinical Trials Registry*. Pan African Clinical Trials Alliance (PACTA) meeting, Geneva, Switzerland. 9-10 November 2010
4. Schoonees A, Visser J, Musekiwa A, **Volmink J.** *Pycnogenol for treating chronic disorders*. 4th Africa Nutritional Epidemiology Conference, Nairobi, Kenya. 4-8 October 2010
5. **Siegfried N, Pienaar E, Abrams A.** *More needle, less haystack: identifying ongoing trials with the Pan African Clinical Trials Registry*. Joint Cochrane & Campbell Collaborations Colloquium, Keystone, Colorado. 18-22 October 2010
6. **Abrams A, Siegfried N.** *The Pan African Clinical Trial Registry, www.pactr.org: Contributions to capacity building throughout Africa*. The Initiative to Strengthen Health Research Capacity in Africa (ISHReCA) General Meeting, Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso. 12-14 July 2010
7. **Abrams A** and Akanmori D. *Achieving registration across Africa*. PAHO/WHO LAC Registry Network Meeting, Washington DC, USA. 26-29 April 2010

Posters

1. **Abrams A, Siegfried N, Ghersi D.** *The Child Strategy: The Pan African Clinical Trial Registry's effort, in collaboration with the World Health Organization to increase clinical trial research in children*. Joint Cochrane & Campbell Collaborations Colloquium, Keystone, Colorado. 18-22 October 2010
2. **Abrams A, Siegfried N, Ghersi D.** *Filling the Gaps: The World Health Organization and the Pan African Clinical Trials Registry efforts to combat an unclear child-focused clinical trial landscape*. Joint Cochrane & Campbell Collaborations Colloquium, Keystone, Colorado. 18-22 October 2010
3. **Abrams A, Siegfried N.** *Children in Trials in Africa: Who is counting?* 26th International Paediatric Association Congress of Paediatrics, Johannesburg. 4-9 August 2010
4. Shamu S, Abrahams N, Temmerman M, **Musekiwa A, Zarowsky C.** *A systematic review on studies on Intimate Partner Violence during pregnancy and risk of HIV infection in Africa*. XVIII International AIDS Conference, Vienna, Austria. 18-23 July 2010

Workshop Facilitator

1. **Pienaar E, Kredo T, Cahill K.** *RevMan5 for Cochrane intervention review authors, learn to use all the features hands-on*. Joint Cochrane & Campbell Collaborations Colloquium, Keystone, Colorado. 18-22 October 2010
2. McDonald S, **Oliver J, Okwundu C, Kredo T.** *Overcoming geographic, linguistic and resource barriers: how can review groups fields, and centres work together to support authors?* Joint Cochrane & Campbell Collaborations Colloquium, Keystone, Colorado. 18-22 October 2010
3. **Young T, Volmink J, Garner P, Siegfried N, MacLehose H, Okwundu C, Tharyan P, Kredo T.** *Train the trainers: Cochrane editorial skills workshop*. Joint Cochrane & Campbell Collaborations Colloquium, Keystone, Colorado. 18-22 October 2010
4. **Abrams A, Siegfried N.** *www.pactr.org and The Child Strategy. Participation in International Community Access to Child Health (I-CATCH) Project*. 26th International Paediatric Association Congress of Paediatrics, Johannesburg. 4-9 August 2010
5. **Abrams A.** *Developing a regional Latin American and Caribbean Registry Network*. PAHO/WHO LAC Registry Network Meeting, Washington DC, USA. 26-29 April 2010
6. **Abrams A.** *Network of National Registries – gameplan*. PAHO/WHO LAC Registry Network Meeting, Washington DC, USA. 26-29 April 2010

Local

Plenary Speaker

1. **Siegfried N.** *Systematic reviews: what are they and do we need them?* WITS Research Day, Johannesburg. 22 September 2010
2. **Volmink J.** *What is relevant research?* International Research Ethics Network for Southern Africa (IRENSA), Cape Town. 7 September 2010

Oral Presentations

1. **Zani B, Pienaar E, Siegfried N.** *How healthy is HIV/AIDS research in Africa? A descriptive review of randomized controlled trials of HIV/AIDS prevention and treatment in Africa.* 6th PHASA 2010 Conference, East London. 29 November - 1 December 2010
2. **Kredo T,** Mauff K, van der Walt JS, Cohen K, Smith PJ, Maartens G, Barnes KI. *The pharmacokinetics of artemether in the combination artemether-lumefantrine in HIV-infected adults on nevirapine-based antiretroviral therapy in South Africa.* South African Clinical Pharmacology and Toxicology Congress, Cape Town. 3-6 October 2010
3. Visser Kift E, **Kredo T,** Barnes KI. *Intravenous artesunate access initiative.* South African Clinical Pharmacology and Toxicology Congress, Cape Town. 3-6 October 2010
4. **Abrams A, Siegfried N.** *The Pan African Clinical Trials Registry: Child and maternal health.* MRC Research Day, Medical Research Council, Cape Town. 14-15 October 2010
5. **Young T, Volmink J,** Wiysonge C, Dudley L. *Supporting policy-relevant reviews and trials in low and middle- income countries.* Stellenbosch University Research Day, Tygerberg, Cape Town. 12 August 2010
6. **Abrams A.** *The Pan African Clinical Trials Registry.* SADC HIV/AIDS Research Agenda Meeting, Durban, South Africa. 2-3 March 2010

Posters

1. Pommer F, Innes S, **Kredo T,** Choonilal N, Dobbels E, Taliep R, Rosenkranz B, Klinker H, Cotton M. *The impact of therapeutic drug-monitoring of lopinavir on management of HIV-infected children in South Africa.* South African Clinical Pharmacology and Toxicology Congress, Cape Town. 3-6 October 2010
2. Murphy CK, **Musekiwa A, Volmink J.** *Safety and efficacy of reduced osmolarity oral rehydration solution for treating cholera.* AstraZeneca Science Day, University of Stellenbosch, Cape Town. 25 February 2010

Workshop Facilitator

1. **Pienaar E.** *Healthy people require appropriate health care decisions: learn how the Cochrane HIV/AIDS Review Group can help you meet this challenge.* 6th PHASA 2010 Conference, East London. 29 November - 1 December 2010

TEACHING AND TRAINING

Lectures

1. Systematic reviews. Invited lecturer at the MMED Research Methods for Registrars at the University of Cape Town. Groote Schuur Hospital. 27 November 2010
2. Clinical trial registration. Lecture to the MScMedSci in Epidemiology: Clinical epidemiology students at Stellenbosch University. September 2010
3. Systematic reviews and meta-analysis: Lectures to the MScMedSci in Epidemiology: Clinical epidemiology students at Stellenbosch University. July - October 2010
4. Cochrane Reviews and The Cochrane Collaboration: Strengthening clinical research. Stellenbosch University. 12 April 2010
5. Taught the Introduction to Epidemiology module to the MPH students the University of Cape Town. Cape Town. April 2010
6. Systematic reviews: What are they and why do we need them? Presentation for MSc Epidemiology & Biostatistics Course, WITS School of Public Health. Johannesburg, South Africa. 26 March 2010
7. Accessing the evidence. Presentation at the Fogarty Summer Institute. Alphen Hotel, Constantia, Cape Town. 1 March 2010
8. Systematic reviews. Presentation at the Fogarty Summer Institute. Alphen Hotel, Constantia, Cape Town. March 2010

Workshops

1. Evidence-based practice and the Cochrane Collaboration. One day workshop for Eastern Cape Department of Health policy-makers. East London. 3 December 2010
2. One day evidence-based practice workshop. Addis Abba, Ethiopia. 1 December 2010
3. Facilitation skills course for World Health Organization communications trainers. Geneva, Switzerland. 15-23 November 2010
4. Reviews for Africa Programme. Cochrane Review methodology update course. Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. 29-30 November 2010
5. Using systematic reviews - Incorporating evidence into policy and practice. Presented at the DFID workshop. Pretoria. 15 September 2010
6. ECRU Research Methods Course. East London. 2-4 September 2010
7. African Editing Skills Workshop. Cape Town. 16-18 September 2010
8. Introductory seminar on the Effective Practice and Organisation of Care Cochrane Review Group. Cape Town. 6 September 2010
9. Evidence-based practice and the Cochrane Collaboration. Presentation at the Reproductive Health Research Methods course. Johannesburg. 30 August 2010
10. Cochrane Systematic Reviews of Diagnostic Test Accuracy. Cape Town. 16-17 August 2010
11. Reviews for Africa Nigeria: Review Completion course. Abuja, Nigeria. 31 July - 5 August 2010
12. Overview of The Cochrane Collaboration and The Cochrane Library given for 6 Library Science students from Fort Hare University. Medical Research Council, Cape Town. June 2010
13. Protocol development and RevMan course. Medical Research Council, Cape Town. 4-7 May 2010
14. HIV/AIDS Cochrane Review update/completion workshop. Cape Town. 8-10 March 2010
15. Facilitator for presentation on optimal timing for introducing antiretroviral therapy in people living with HIV. WHO Report, December 2009 at the International course in Health Research Methodology. Zevenwacht, South Africa. 28 January - 1 February 2010
16. Presentation on Study population: wide versus narrow eligibility criteria and generalisability at the International course in Health Research Methodology. Zevenwacht, South Africa. 28 January - 1 February 2010
17. Presentation on Harvard Africa Cohort Study at the International Course on Health Research Methodology. Zevenwacht Estate, Cape Town. 28 January - 1 February 2010

INTELLECTUAL INPUT

International

Abrams A

1. Peer Reviewer, *Trials*. April 2010

Kredo T

1. Peer Reviewer, systematic review protocols for DFID funded project (2). August 2010
2. Peer Reviewer, *Infectious Diseases - Drug Targets*. June 2010
3. Peer Reviewer, Cochrane HIV/AIDS Review Group. June 2010
4. Member, Cochrane Colloquium Stipend Committee. May - October 2010

Musekiwa A

1. Peer Reviewer, Cochrane Infectious Diseases Group. February, April 2010

Oliver J

1. Member, Cochrane Monitoring and Registration Group. October 2006 - October 2012

Pienaar E

1. Peer Reviewer, PLoS ONE. February 2010
2. Search Editor, Cochrane HIV/AIDS Review Group. July 2008 - ongoing
3. Member, Trial Search Coordinator's Executive Group. March 2008 - 2010
4. TSC representative on Cochrane News / CCInfo Advisory Group. 2009 - ongoing
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 - 2010
Member, Cochrane Collaboration Information Management System Group. 2001 - 2010

Siegfried N

1. Honorary appointments:
 - a. Honorary Visiting Fellow, United Kingdom Cochrane Centre. October 2007 - March 2010
 - b. Assistant Clinical Professor, University of California, San Francisco. July 2007 - ongoing
2. Member, Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development Working Group on international cooperation for clinical trials. September 2010 -
3. Peer Reviewer, systematic review protocols for DFID funded project (2). August 2010
4. Member, 8th Annual Meeting of Health Technology Assessment International (HTAi) Abstract Reviewer Committee. August 2010 - June 2010
5. Member, Scientific Committee Guidelines International Network 2011 Conference. May 2010 - August 2011
6. Academic Editor, PLoS ONE. May, June, August 2010
7. Peer Reviewer, International Journal of Epidemiology. April 2010
8. Peer Reviewer, Cochrane HIV/AIDS Review Group. March 2010
9. Member, Kenneth Warren Prize Selection Committee. March - October 2010
10. Peer Reviewer, PLoS Medicine. February 2010
11. Member, 18th Cochrane Colloquium Scientific Committee. November 2009 - October 2010
12. Member, Cochrane Methodology Risk of Bias Expert Group. 2005 - ongoing
13. Deputy Co-ordinating Editor, Cochrane HIV/AIDS Review Group. 2003 - ongoing
14. Contact Editor, Cochrane Drug and Alcohol Review Group. 2002 – ongoing
15. Peer Reviewer, The Lancet. November 2010

Volmink J

1. Honorary appointments:
 - a. Honorary Research Fellow, Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine. 2001 - 2011
2. Peer Reviewer, BMJ. June 2010
3. Peer Reviewer, Cochrane Public Health Group. April 2010
4. Peer Reviewer, Cochrane Infectious Diseases Group. April 2010
5. International Advisory Committee Member, 2011 IEA World Congress of Epidemiology. Jun 2009 - August 2011
6. Chair, Belgian Red Cross First Aid Guidelines for Africa Committee. February 2009 - ongoing
7. Member, Wellcome Trust Populations and Public Health Funding Committee. 2006 - ongoing

Young T

1. Section Editor, Cochrane Column in International Journal of Epidemiology. 2005 - ongoing

Local

Abrams A

1. SACC Representative, MRC Young Scientists Forum.

Kredo T

1. Honorary appointments:
 - a. External Lecturer, University of Stellenbosch. July 2010 - June 2013
2. Lecturer, Division of Pharmacology, Department of Medicine, Stellenbosch University. April 2010 - ongoing
3. Associate Staff Member, Division of Clinical Pharmacology, University of Cape Town, March 2010 - December 2010
4. Peer Reviewer SAMJ. November 2010
5. Member, HIV Adult Advisory Committee of the Western Cape. 2006 - ongoing
6. Member, SAHealthInfo Website Editorial Board. May 2010 - ongoing

Siegfried N

1. Honorary appointments:
 - a. Extraordinary Lecturer, University of Stellenbosch. July 2008 - December 2010
 - b. Honorary Senior Lecturer, Department of Public Health, University of Cape Town. 2007 - 2014
2. Invited member, PRICELESS Steering Committee. July 2010 -
3. Peer Reviewer, MRC Scientific Review Ethics Committee. March, June 2010
4. Peer Reviewer, South African Journal of Science. February, June 2010
5. Peer Reviewer, SAMJ. January 2010
6. Committee Member, Academy of Science of SA Committee on Clinical Research and Related Training in South Africa. 2007 -

Volmink J

1. Member, Heart and Stroke Foundation Scientific Committee. October 2010 - ongoing
2. Chair, Western Cape Health Research Committee. 2009 - ongoing
3. Committee Member, Academy of Science of SA Committee on Clinical Research and Related Training in South Africa. 2007 - 2010
4. Trustee, National Health Laboratory Services Research Fund. 2006 -
5. Council Member, Academy of Science of South Africa. 2004 -
6. Selection Committee of Harvard/South Africa Fellowship (Chairperson since 2006). 1991 -

Young T

1. Editor, Current Allergy and Clinical Immunology. 2006 -
2. Advisory Board Member, South African Centre for Evidence Based Nursing and Midwifery. 2005 -

AWARDS

1. Amber Abrams was awarded 1st prize in the PhD category for the best oral presentation at the MRC Research Day. October 2010

EXAMINATION OF HIGHER DEGREES

Kredo T

1. Internal Examiner, MSc Clin Epi (systematic reviews module), Stellenbosch University. October 2010

Musekiwa A

1. Internal Examiner, MSc Clin Epi (biostatistics I and II), Stellenbosch University. June 2010

Siegfried N

1. External Examiner, MSc Epidemiology candidate of the University of Pretoria. June 2010
2. External Examiner, Colleges of Medicine of South Africa (CMSA) FCPHM(SA) examinations. July 2010
3. External Examiner, MCLinEpi, Stellenbosch University. October 2010
4. External Examiner, MPH EBHC, University of Cape Town. November 2010

Volmink J

1. Examiner, PhD, Monash University, Australia
2. Examiner, MMED (F. Path.), Stellenbosch University. November 2010

Young T

1. External Examiner, Colleges of Medicine of South Africa. March & September 2010

SUPERVISION OF HIGHER DEGREES

Siegfried N

1. Helen Buchanan, PhD, University of Cape Town

Volmink J

1. Elizabeth Lutge, PhD, Stellenbosch University
2. Carien Laurence, MclinEpi, Stellenbosch University
3. Anel Schoonees, M.Nutrition, Stellenbosch University

Young T

1. Anke Rohwer, MCLinEpi, Stellenbosch University
2. Mosede Namame, MCLinEpi, Stellenbosch University
3. Andrit Louwrens, MCLinEpi, Stellenbosch University
4. Mary Mugambi, PhD, Stellenbosch University
5. Adele Ferreira, MclinEpi, Stellenbosch University

CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT

1. Sixteen first-time authors are receiving mentoring through the SACC HIV/AIDS Mentoring Programme
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. The SACC funded Nombulelo Magula from Durban to present at the meeting
3. The SACC hosts a journal club once a month
4. Thirteen authors (1 Cameroon, 2 Kenya, 2 Nigeria and 8 South Africa) attended the Cape Town Cochrane HIV/AIDS Review Update/Completion School through a SACC grant received from the Cochrane HIV/AIDS Review Group, University of California. Four non-South Africans were co-funded from a grant received from the Nuffield Foundation
5. Fifteen authors (1 Cameroon, 1 Uganda, 1 Malawi, 4 Kenya, 8 Nigeria) attended the Reviews for Africa Programme Cochrane Review methodology update course through a SACC grant received from the Nuffield Foundation