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VIDEO-ASSISTED THORACIC SURGERY

VATS Annual Report (2024)



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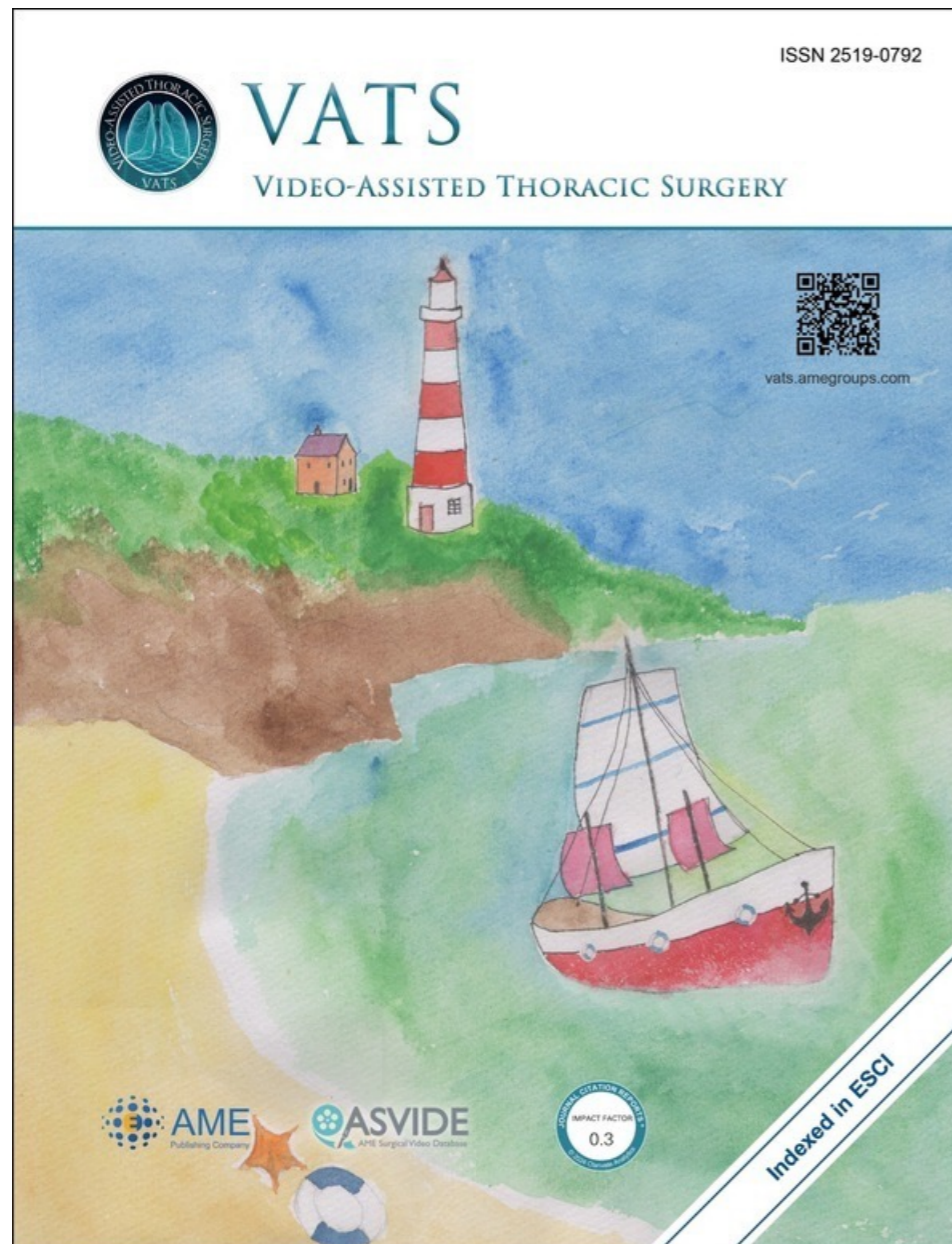


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1. Basic Information



- Launched in May 2016
- ISSN: 2519-0792
- Indexed by Web of Science [Emerging Sources Citation Index (ESCI)] (*2023 IF: 0.3*) and Scopus (*2023 CiteScore: 0.4*)
- Open Access & Peer-Review & Electronic Journal
- Quarterly Publication
(March/June/September/December)
- Endorsed by the Italian Society of Thoracic Surgery (SICT) & Member of the Surgery Journal Editors Group (SJEG)
- Focuses on the cutting-edge findings and application of video-assisted thoracic surgery



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2.1 Honorary Editor-in-Chief



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2.2 Editors-in-Chief



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Hammersmith Hospital, Imperial
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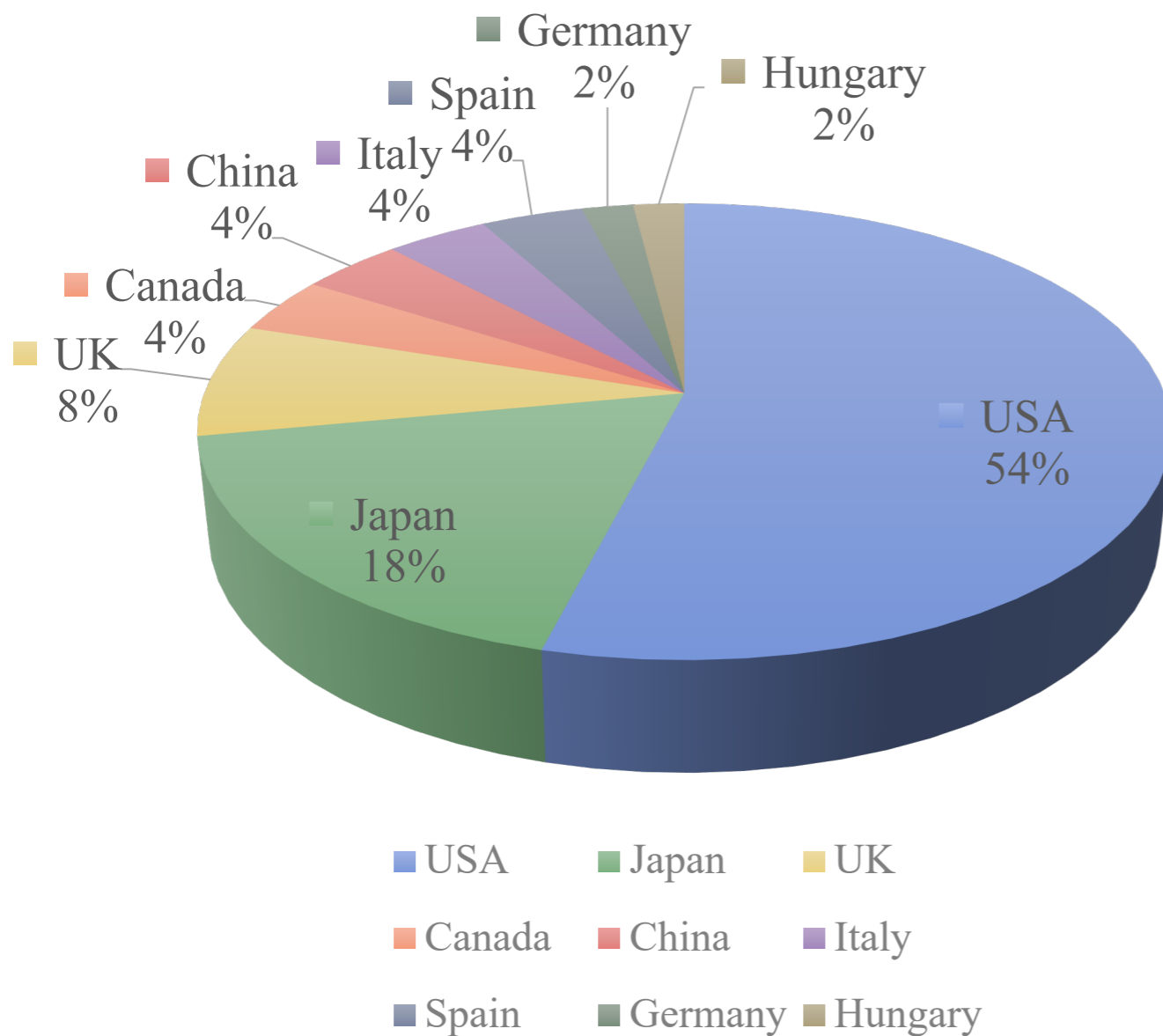


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3. Geographical Distribution of Editorial Board Members



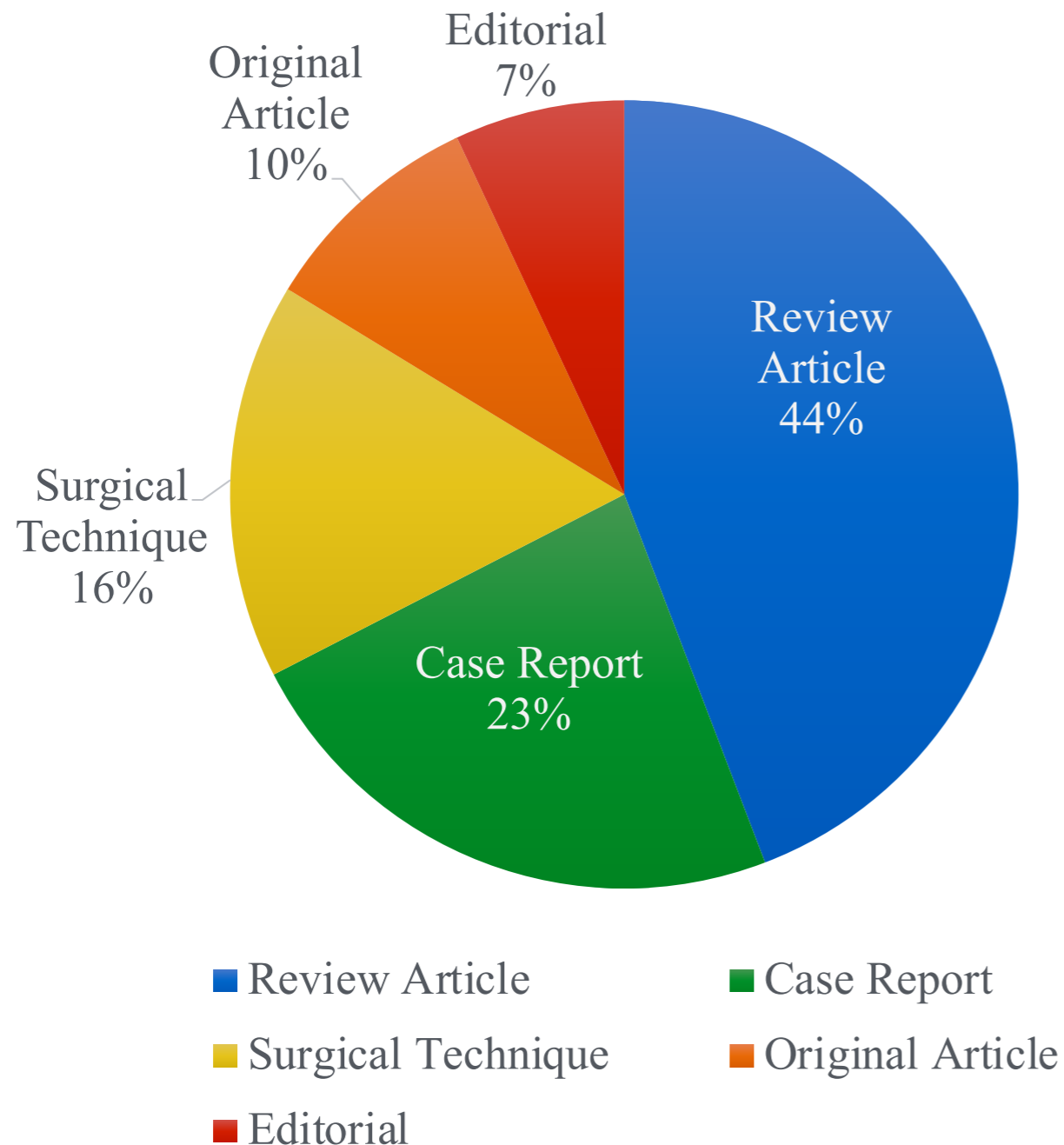
A total of **50** Members from **9** countries

- 1 Honorary Editor-in-Chief
- 2 Editors-in-Chief
- 1 Associate Editor-in-Chief
- 46 Editorial Board Members

Updated on Dec. 31, 2024



4. Diverse Types of Articles Published in 2024



In 2024, VATS published **43** articles, with 19 Review Article, 10 Case Report, 7 Surgical Technique, 4 Original Article and 3 Editorial.

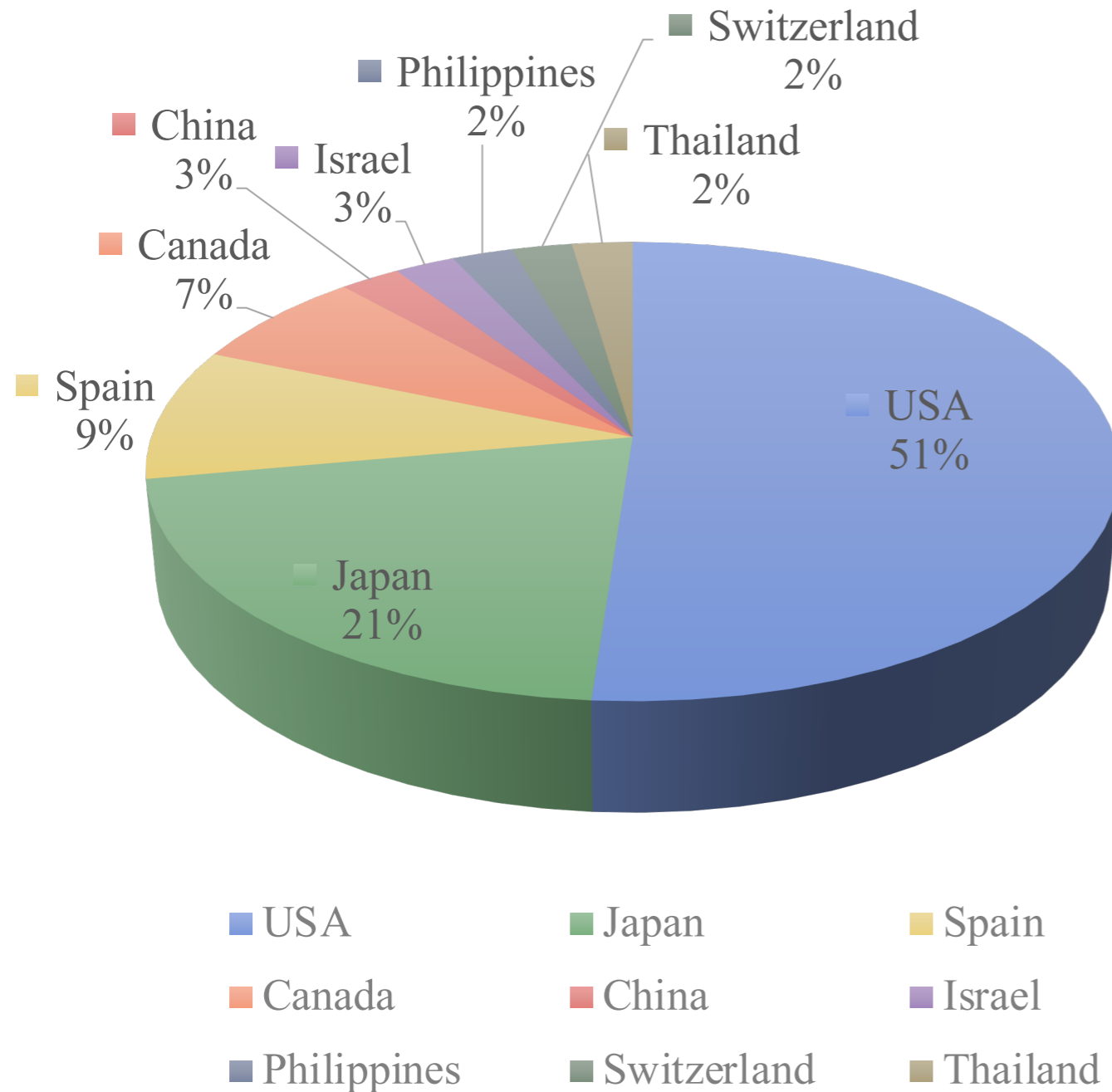


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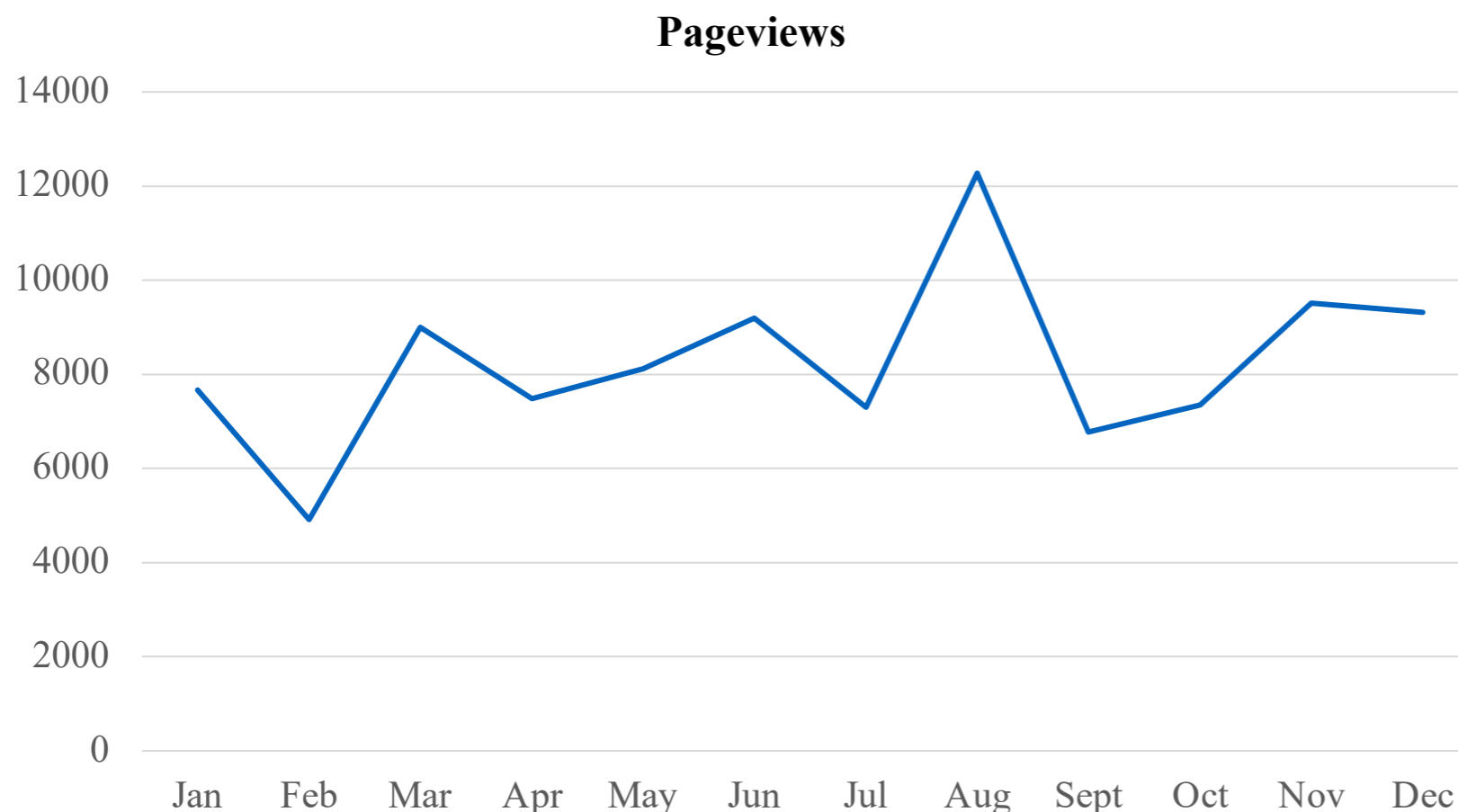
5. International Diversity of Corresponding Authors in 2024



Corresponding authors of 43 articles published in 2024 came from **9** countries, with mostly from **USA** and **Japan**.



6. Website Visit in 2024



Country	Users
United States	13,772
United Kingdom	2,900
India	2,278
China	1,892
Canada	1,326
Australia	1,055
Japan	928
Italy	779
Germany	698

Note: Only list the top 9

In 2024, all together **38,652** visitors with **98,885** pageviews. Readers were from diverse countries, with the majority from USA, followed by UK, India, China, Canada and Australia.

Note: Data collected from Google Analytics on Dec. 31, 2024.



7.1 Most Read Articles Published in 2024

Issue	Title	Authors	Link
Vol 9 (March 30, 2024)	Video-assisted thoracoscopic surgery (VATS) in trauma: a narrative review	John Duggan, Gustavo Rodriguez, Alex Peters, Jared Antevil, Gregory Trachiotis	https://vats.amegroups.org/article/view/8812/html
Vol 9 (March 30, 2024)	Surgical technique: lung-sparing sleeve bronchoplasty	Arthur Vieira, Ivan Azevedo, Paula Ugalde	https://vats.amegroups.org/article/view/8637/html
Vol 9 (March 30, 2024)	Uniportal video-assisted thoracoscopic surgery (U-VATS) bronchial and vascular sleeve resections: technical aspects and review	Sergio Bolufer, Julio Sesma, Leyre Sebastian, Sergio Maroto, Xavier Vaillo, Francisco Lirio, Jone del Campo, Carlos Galvez	https://vats.amegroups.org/article/view/8717/html
Vol 9 (March 30, 2024)	Pancoast tumors	Rola Francis, Adam Lee Goldstein, Firas Abu Akar	https://vats.amegroups.org/article/view/8988/html
Vol 9 (September 30, 2024)	Abdominal wall pseudohernia following video-assisted thoracoscopic surgery: a case report and literature review	Shiyu Shen, Ziyi He, Guangbin Li, Xinyu Jia, Zihao Lu, Yichao Shi, Jianhong Pu, Haitao Huang	https://vats.amegroups.org/article/view/9371/html

Note: Data collected from the Journal Website - Most Read Page on Jan. 1, 2025 (<https://vats.amegroups.org/article/mostRead?queryYear=all>).



7.2 Most Read Articles Published in 2024

Issue	Title	Authors	Link
Vol 9 (March 30, 2024)	Uniportal video-assisted thoracic surgery lymph node dissection: surgical technique	Céline Forster, Michel Gonzalez	https://vats.amegroups.org/article/view/9008/html
Vol 9 (March 30, 2024)	Efficacy of radiofrequency identification lung marking system in revision surgery: a case report	Katsuma Yoshimatsu, Masaru Takenaka, Teppei Hashimoto, Kanji Tanaka, Masataka Mori, Masatoshi Kanayama, Akihiro Taira, Koji Kuroda, Fumihiko Tanaka	https://vats.amegroups.org/article/view/8773/html
Vol 9 (June 30, 2024)	Image-guided and bronchoscopic localization techniques used to facilitate minimally invasive pulmonary metastasectomies	Alan Wang, Graeme M. Rosenberg, Gavitt A. Woodard, Andrew Dhanasopon, Brooks V. Udelsman	https://vats.amegroups.org/article/view/9042/html
Vol 9 (March 30, 2024)	Hybrid ablation of atrial fibrillation improves patient quality of life: results from the AFEQT questionnaire	Armin Kiankhooy, Arash Kiankhooy, Ali Own, Federico Sertic, Michaela Daw, Susan Eisenberg, Shelby Burk, Andrew Phillips, Gansevoort H. Dunnington	https://vats.amegroups.org/article/view/9045/html

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8.1 Special Column - Interviews with Editorial Board Members

VATS features a distinguished editorial board, the members of which continue to instill the power of their expertise for the journal's development. With this column, we are glad to introduce to you some of them in the form of interviews, in which they will share their unique career experiences and perspectives. We believe their insights will shed light on the knowledge of related fields.

Column link at: <https://vats.amegroups.org/post/category/interviews-with-editorial-board-members>

[Meeting the Editorial Board Member of VATS: Dr. Takashi Harano](#)

[Meeting the Editorial Board Member of VATS: Dr. Jeffrey B. Velotta](#)

[Meeting the Editorial Board Member of VATS: Dr. Brooks Udelsman](#)

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8.2 Special Column - Interviews with Outstanding Authors

Many VATS authors make outstanding contributions to our journal. Their articles published with us have received very well feedback in the field and stimulate a lot of discussions and new insights among the peers. With the column, we would like to highlight some of our outstanding authors who have been making immense efforts in their research fields, with a brief interview of their unique perspective and insightful view as authors.

Column link at: <https://vats.amegroups.org/post/category/interviews-with-outstanding-authors>

Outstanding Authors (2024)

[Katsuma Yoshimatsu, University of Occupational and Environmental Health, Japan](#)

[Padungkiat Tangpiroontham, Bangkok Hospital, Thailand](#)

[Jun Suzuki, Yamagata University, Japan](#)



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8.3 Special Column - Reviewer of the Month

In 2024, VATS reviewers continue to make outstanding contributions to the peer review process.

They demonstrated professional effort and enthusiasm in their reviews and provided comments that genuinely help the authors to enhance their work. With the column, we would like to highlight some of our outstanding reviewers, with a brief interview of their thoughts and insights as a reviewer.

Column link at: <https://vats.amegroups.org/post/category/reviewers>

Reviewer of the Month (2024)

February, 2024

Dorian Rojas, University of Rennes Hospital Center, France

April, 2024

Chiara Catelli, University Hospital of Siena, Italy

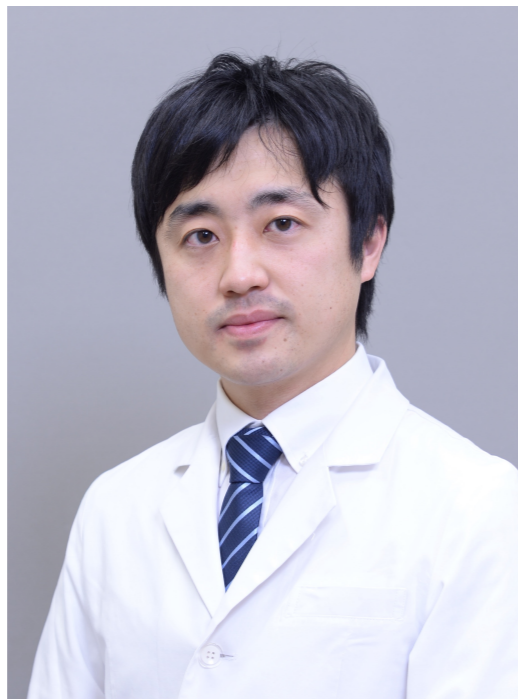
July, 2024

Tai Hato, Saitama Medical University, Japan



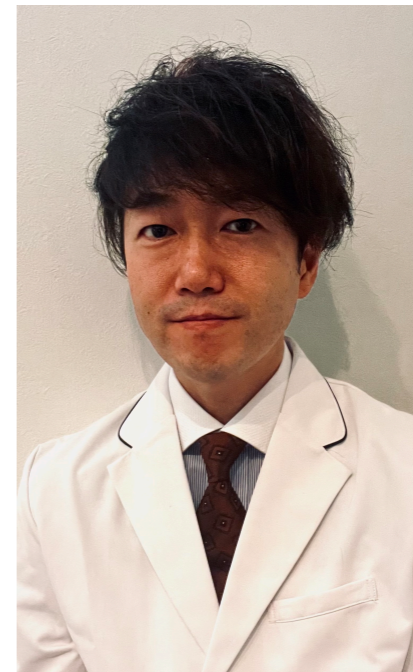
8.4.1 Special Column - Special Series Published in 2024

Topic: Simulation and Navigation Techniques in VATS/RATS



Seshiru Nakazawa, MD, PhD

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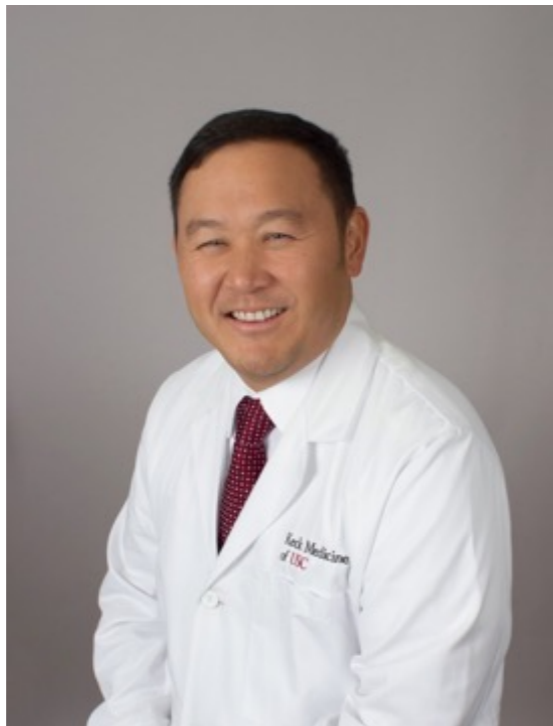
Hitoshi Igai, MD, PhD

Department of General Thoracic Surgery,
Maebashi Red Cross Hospital, Gunma, Japan



8.4.2 Special Column - Special Series Published in 2024

Topic: The Role of Minimally Invasive Approaches in the Pulmonary Oligometastases



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California, Los Angeles, CA, USA



Takashi Harano, MD

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8.4.3 Special Column - Special Series Published in 2024

Topic: Advanced Uniportal VATS



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Paula A. Ugalde Figueroa, MD

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Farber Cancer Institute, Harvard University,

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8.5 Special Column - Ongoing Special Series

Topic: Preoperative Planning and Assessment for VATS Lung Cancer Resection



Gregory Trachiotis, MD

George Washington University/DC Veterans
Affairs Medical Center, Washington, DC, USA



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 - 21 indexed by PubMed
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