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CURRENT CHALLENGES IN THORACIC SURGERY
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1. General Information of the Journal

Current Challenges in Thoracic Surgery

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- Launched in March 2019
- An open access, peer- reviewed online journal published every two months
- The Official Publication of the Department of Thoracic Surgery, Shanghai Pulmonary Hospital
- A Member of Committee on Publication Ethics (COPE) since 2021
- Focus on current challenges, controversial issues and unresolved situations related to surgery for pulmonary, tracheal, mediastinal, esophageal, and chest-wall diseases



2. Message from the Editors-in-Chief

Editors-in-Chief:



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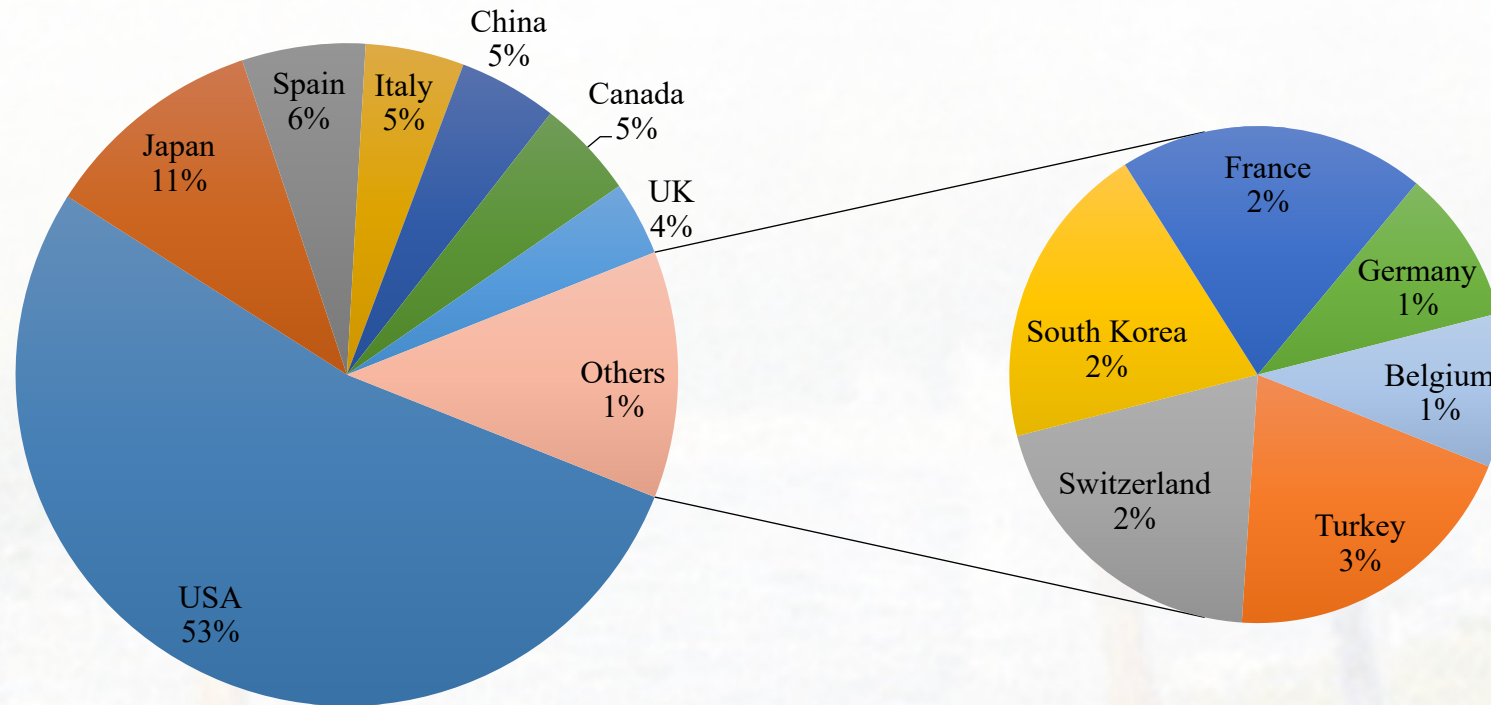
2. Message from the Editors-in-Chief

On behalf of the editorial team, we would like to express our sincere appreciation to all the editorial board members, guest editors, authors, reviewers for your precious support and contributions to the journal throughout 2023. We look forward to your continued support and joint efforts to advance knowledge and foster discussions on challenging, controversial, or rare issues related to thoracic surgery .

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Co-Editor-in-Chief,
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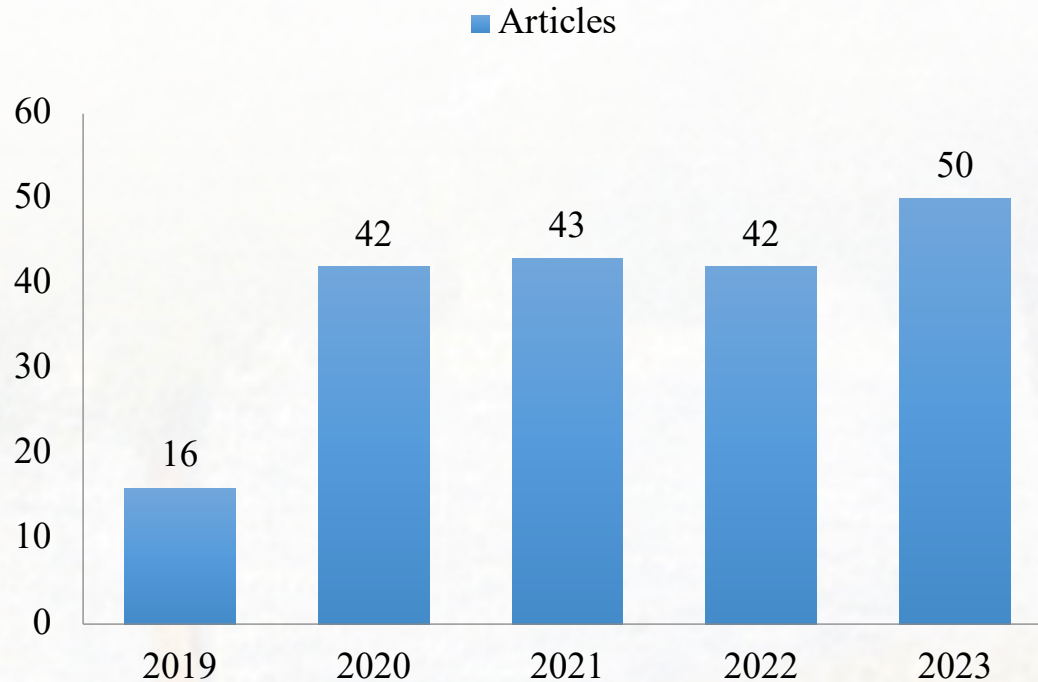
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3. International Distribution of Editorial Board Members (2023)



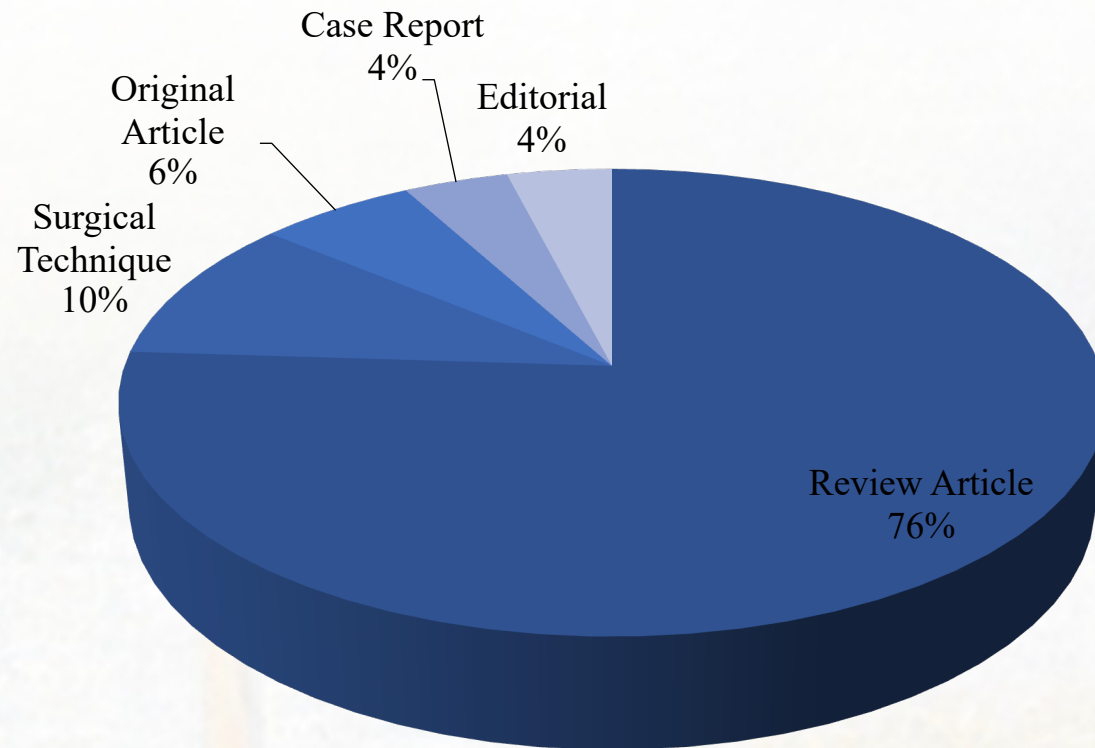
CCTS's editorial board consists of 83 members from 13 countries, with the major from the USA (53%), followed by Japan (11%), Spain (6%), Italy (5%), etc.

4. Number of Articles Published in CCTS (Results by Year)



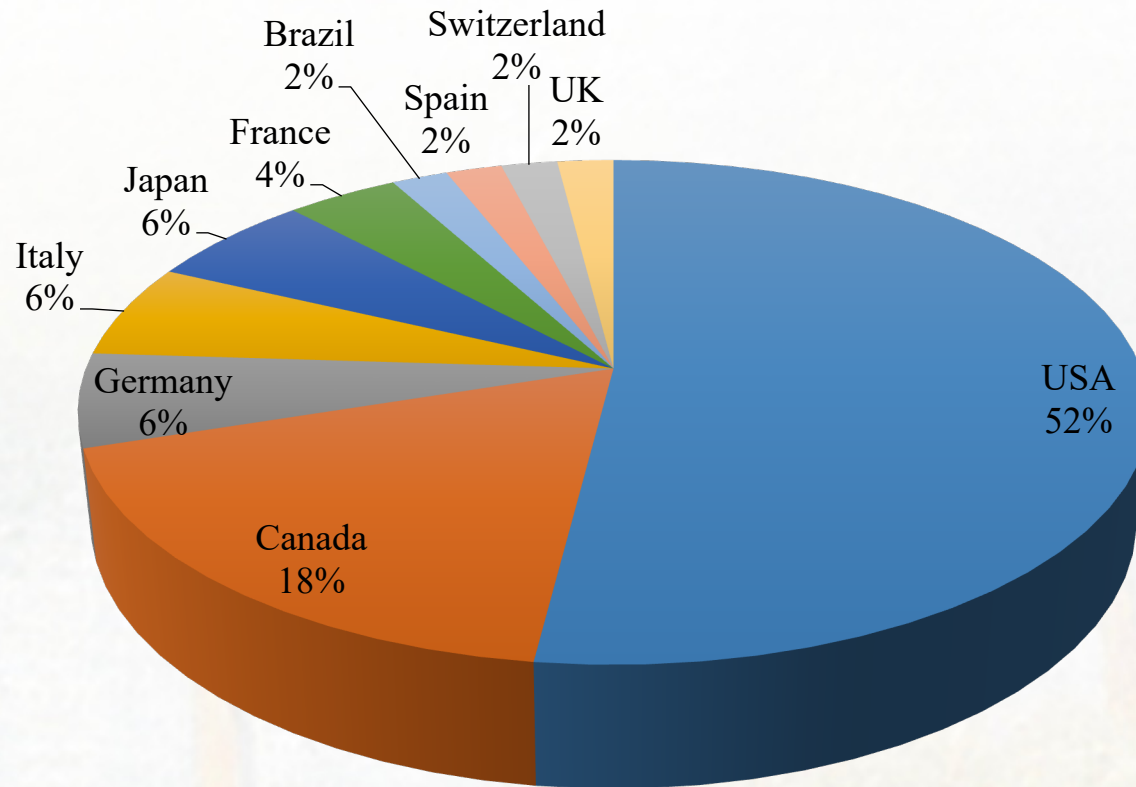
There has been a relatively stable number of publications each year in CCTS, with a slight increase to 50 in 2023. A total of 193 articles have been published since its launch in 2019.

5. Proportions of Article Types in 2023



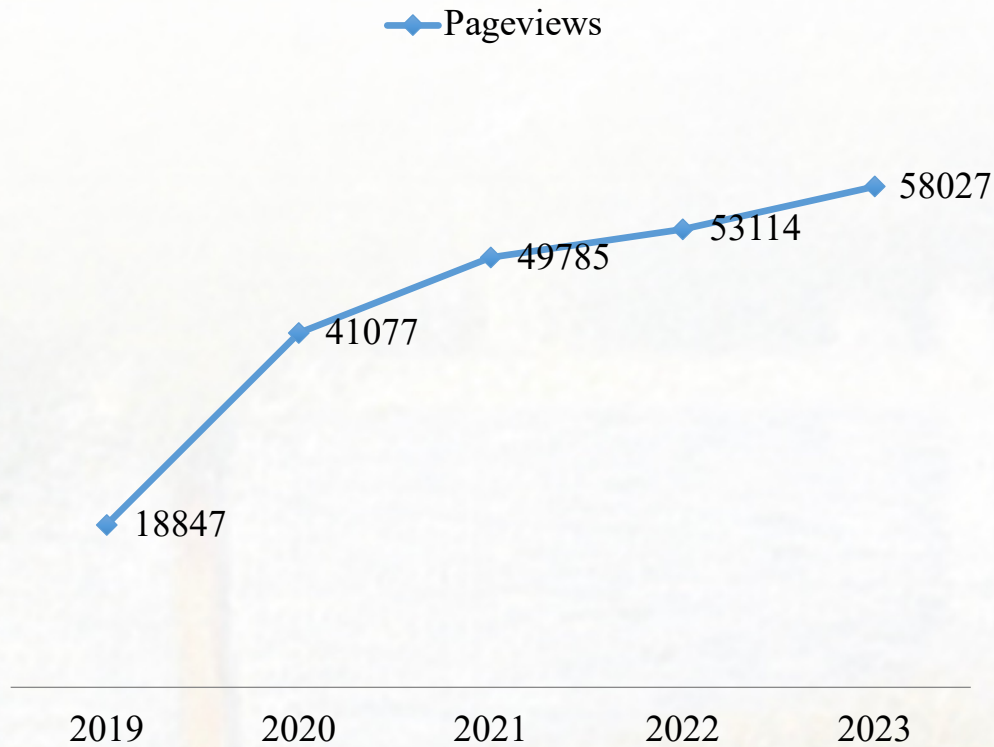
Of the 50 articles published in 2023, Review Articles represented the largest proportion (76%).

6. International Distribution of Corresponding Authors in 2023



A total of 50 corresponding authors from 10 countries were identified in 2023, with the majority from the USA (52%), followed by Canada (18%), Germany (6%), Italy (6%), etc.

7. Website Pageviews (Results by Year)

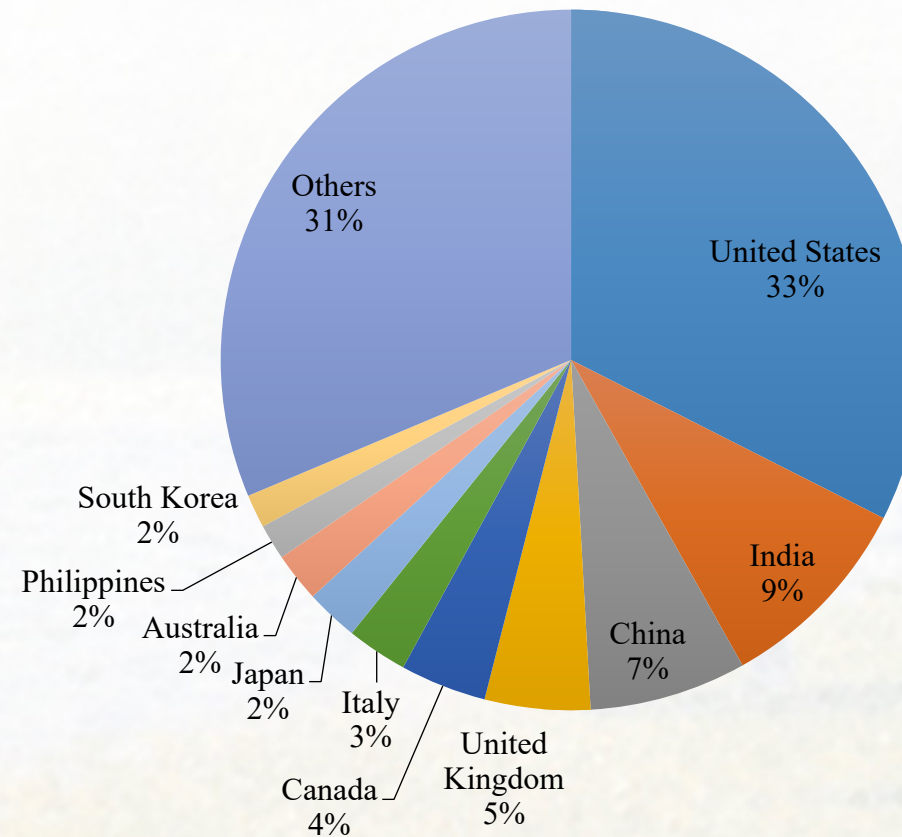


The pageviews of CCTS have presented a steady modest growth.

Data collected from Google Analytics on Jan 5, 2024

8. Website Users by Country in 2023

	Country	Users
1	United States	8031
2	India	2325
3	China	1794
4	United Kingdom	1204
5	Canada	985
6	Italy	695
7	Japan	603
8	Australia	563
9	Philippines	406
10	South Korea	382
	Others	7753



* Totally 24,741 website users from 158 countries were identified in 2023.

* USA was the most represented country with 33% of the total users.

Data collected from Google Analytics on Jan 5, 2024

9. Top 10 Most Read Articles in 2023

No.	Pub. Time	Article Type	Article Title	Corresponding Author	Pageviews
1	Jul 2019	Clinical Guideline	Clinical consensus on preoperative pulmonary function assessment in patients undergoing pulmonary resection (first edition)	Gening Jiang (China)	2470
2	Aug 2022	Review Article	Postoperative complications and long-term outcomes of tracheoesophageal fistula repair	Augusto Zani (Canada)	1813
3	Aug 2022	Review Article	Radiologic diagnosis of tracheoesophageal fistula in children	Mithat Haliloglu (Turkey)	1454
4	Nov 2020	Review Article	Management of empyema: a comprehensive review	Noriyuki Matsutani (Japan)	1002
5	Feb 2021	Review Article	Thoracic outlet syndrome: which surgical approach?	Fabio Davoli (Italy)	961
6	May 2021	Original Article	Surgery in large anterior mediastinal mass: case series of Hospital Kuala Lumpur	Ammar Ahmad (Malaysia)	778
7	Dec 2019	Case Report	Mediastinal lymph node metastases in thyroid cancer: surgery without limits	Elena Marrama (Italy)	621
8	Aug 2022	Review Article	Malignant tracheoesophageal fistula: diagnosis and management	Alper Toker (USA)	604
9	Aug 2022	Review Article	Management of congenital isolated H-type tracheoesophageal fistula	Cigdem Ulukaya Durakbasa (Turkey)	569
10	May 2020	Original Article	Tracheal surgery: still a challenge or a reality for thoracic surgeons?—A 30 months single-centre experience	Maria Giovanna Mastromarino (Italy)	445

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10. Special Series (Published)

(1) [Lung Transplant: Current Status and Challenges](#)

Guest Editor:

George Makdisi (Morsani College of Medicine, USA)



(2) [Recent Advances in Perioperative Care in Thoracic Surgery and Anesthesia](#)

Guest Editors:

Jean Bussieres (Université Laval, Canada);

George Rakovich (University of Montreal, Canada)

11. Reviewer of the Month (2023)

To highlight some of our outstanding reviewers, with a brief interview of their thoughts and insights as a reviewer

Month	Outstanding Reviewer
January 2023	Ehab Billatos, Boston University Medical Center, USA
September 2023	Edris A. F. Mahtab, Erasmus Medical Center, The Netherlands
November 2023	Yoichiro Hamamoto, Jiahui International Hospital, China



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