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CURRENT CHALLENGES IN THORACIC SURGERY
A JOURNAL TO EXPLORE NEW HORIZONS OF THORACIC SURGERY

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1. General Information of the Journal

[Current Challenges in Thoracic Surgery](#) (ISSN: 2664-3278)

- 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
- Indexed in the Web of Science (WOS) [Emerging Sources Citation Index (ESCI)] in March 2024
- Indexed in Scopus in December 2024



2. Message from the Editors-in-Chief

Editors-in-Chief:



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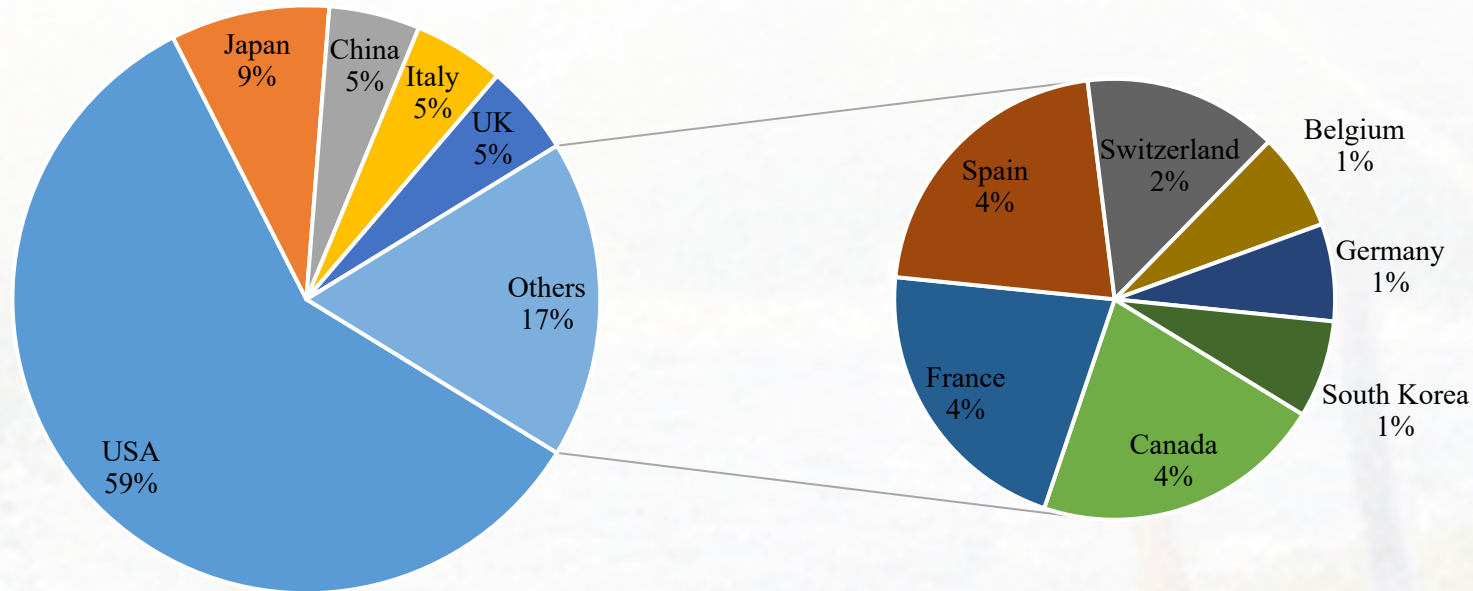
2. Message from the Editors-in-Chief

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 2024. 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 .

Gening Jiang, MD
Co-Editor-in-Chief,
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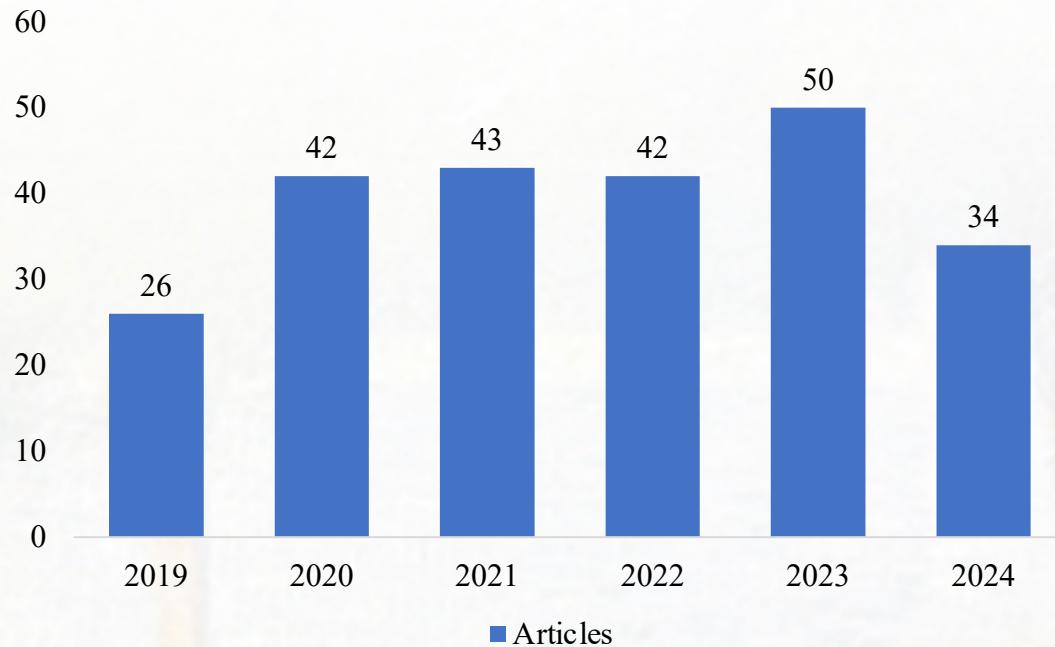
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3. International Distribution of Editorial Board Members in 2024



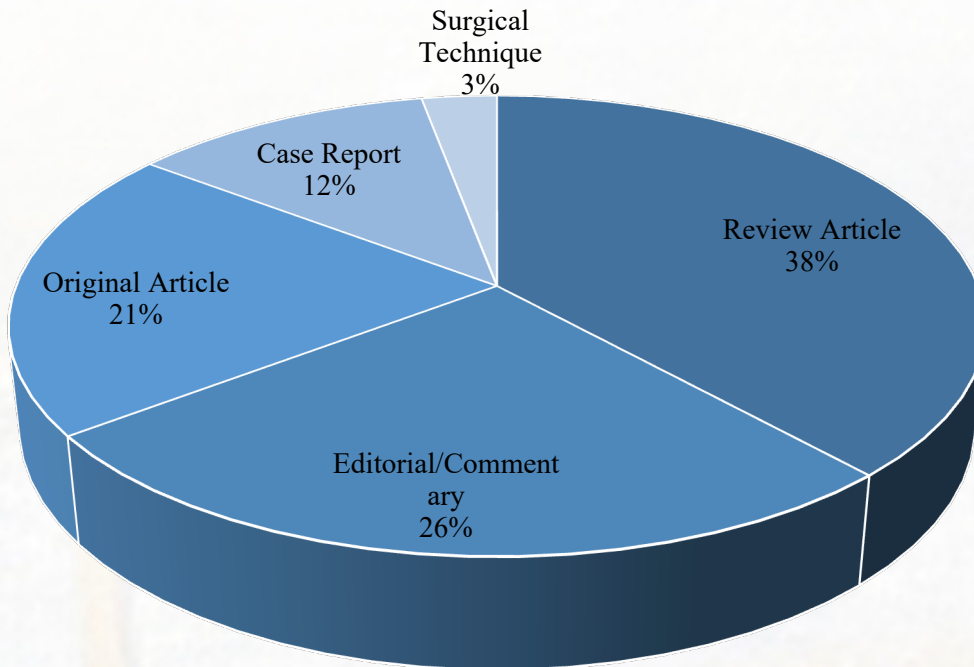
CCTS's editorial board consists of 80 members from 12 countries, with the majority from the USA (59%).

4. Published Articles by Year



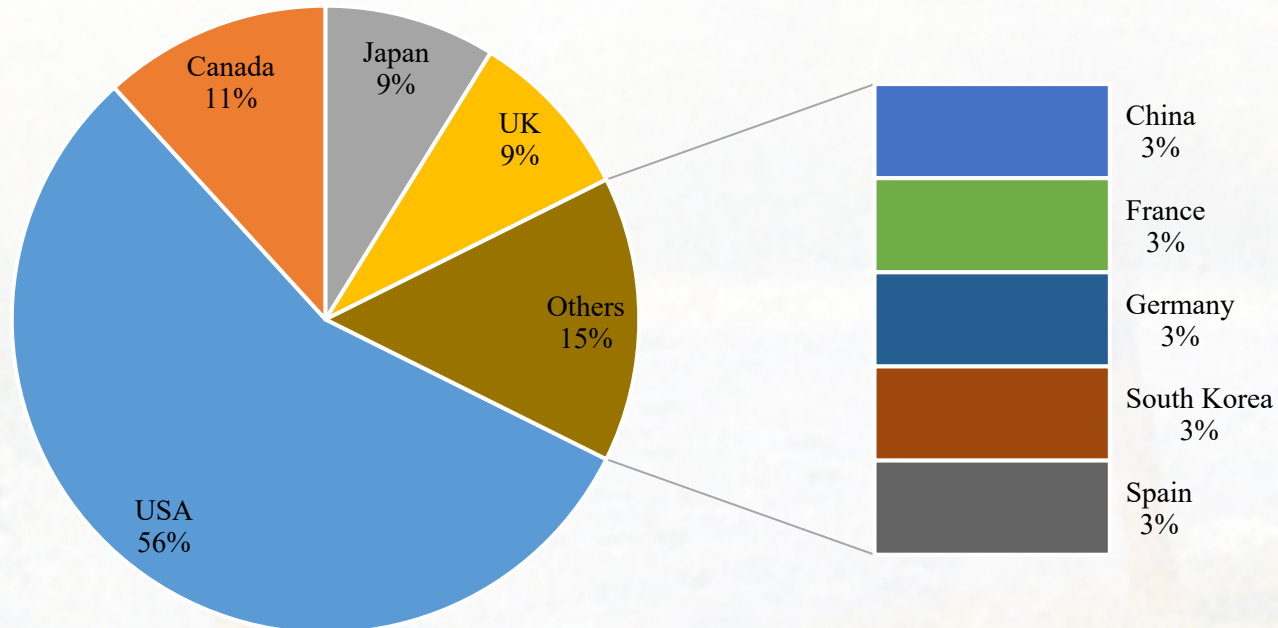
From 2019 to 2024, a total of 237 articles were published.

5. Diverse Types of Articles Published in 2024



In 2024, CCTS published 34 articles, covering different categories as illustrated in the figure (left).

6. International Distribution of Corresponding Authors in 2024



A total of 34 corresponding authors from 9 countries were identified in 2024, with the majority from the USA (56%).

7. Website Pageviews by Year

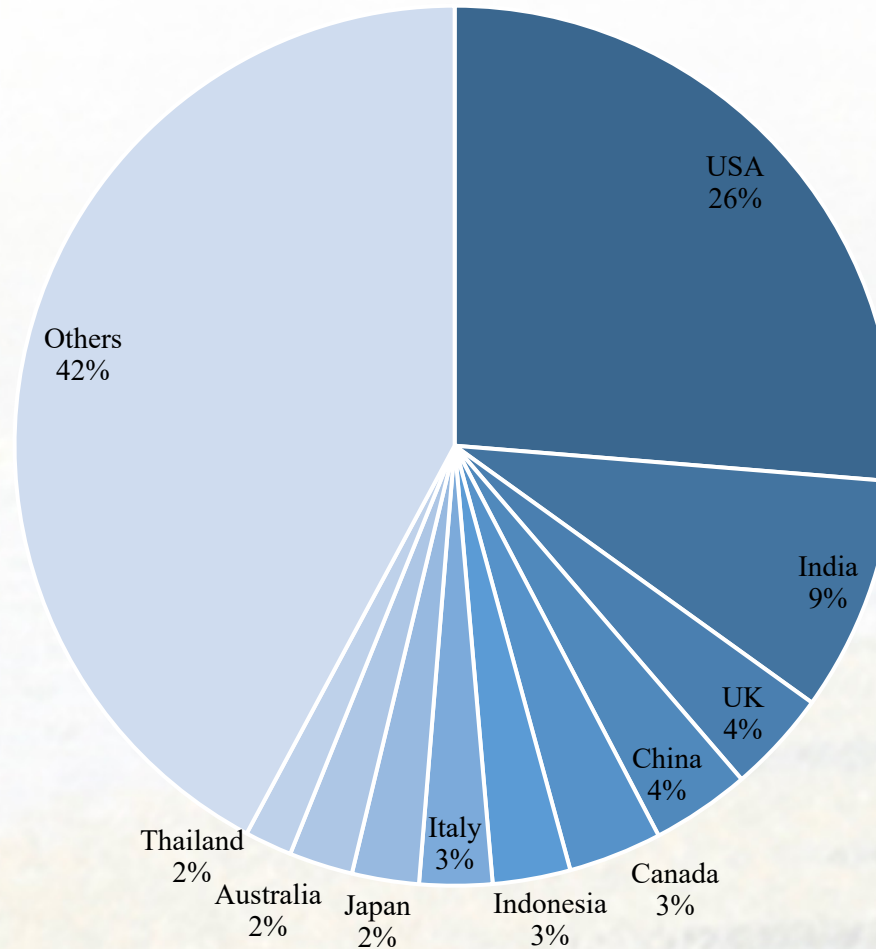


CCTS received 127,050 pageviews in 2024, more than twice the 58,027 views from 2023.

Data collected from Google Analytics on Jan 2, 2025

8. Website Users by Country in 2024

No.	Country	Users
1	USA	10465
2	India	3435
3	UK	1501
4	China	1447
5	Canada	1367
6	Indonesia	1137
7	Italy	1064
8	Japan	979
9	Australia	932
10	Thailand	693
	Others	16782



- Totally 39,802 website users from 187 countries/regions were identified in 2024.
- USA was the most represented country with 26% of the total users.

Data collected from Google Analytics on Jan 2, 2025

9. Most Read Articles Published in 2024 (Top 5)

No.	Article Type	Article Title	Corresponding Author	Pageviews
1	Review Article	Surgical approach for ground glass opacities	Linda Chang Qu (University of British Columbia, Canada)	956
2	Original Article	The impact of serum sodium levels on short and long-term outcomes after lung resection for non-small cell lung cancer: a retrospective cohort study	Marcus Taylor (University of Manchester, UK)	927
3	Surgical Technique	Vein-first strategy for thoracoscopic lung segmentectomy under use of three-dimensional reconstruction of computed tomography	Hiroyuki Oizumi (Higashiyamato Hospital, Japan)	924
4	Review Article	18F-FDG PET/CT imaging and the characterization of synchronous primary lung cancer versus intrapulmonary metastasis and primary versus metastatic lung cancer: a narrative review	Wanzhen Zeng (The Ottawa Hospital, Canada)	879
5	Original Article	Prolonged mechanical ventilation after lung transplant: predictors and impact on survival	Haytham Elgharably (Cleveland Clinic, USA)	795

10. Special Series (Ongoing)

(1) [Lung Transplantation: New Frontiers](#)

Guest Editor:

Haytham Elgharably (Cleveland Clinic, Cleveland, OH, USA)



(2) [Chest Trauma](#)

Guest Editor:

Christopher F. Janowak (University of Cincinnati, Cincinnati, OH, USA)



11. Interviews with Guest Editors (2024)

This column features interviews with our guest editors, who graciously share their experience in scientific careers and provide insightful perspectives on the special series.

Guest Editors

George Makdisi, Tucson Medical Center, USA

Sandra L. Starnes, University of Cincinnati College of Medicine, USA



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12. Interviews with Editorial Board Members (2024)

To share Editorial Board Members' unique career experiences and perspectives, explore emerging trends, and gather insights to enhance the journal's impact and operations

Editorial Board Members

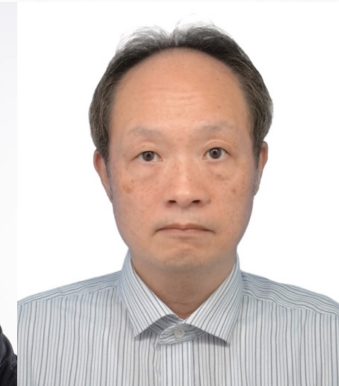
George Rakovich, University of Montreal, Canada

Toyofumi Fengshi Chen-Yoshikawa, Nagoya University Graduate School of Medicine, Japan

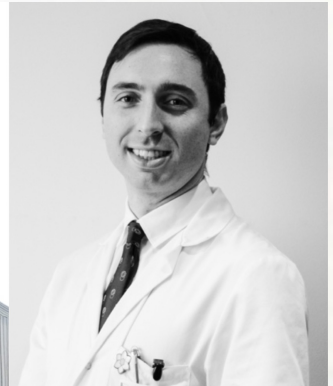
Alessio Mariolo, Insitut Mutualiste Montsouris (IMM) – Institut du Thorax Curie-Montsouris, France



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13. Interviews with Outstanding Authors (2024)

To highlight some of our outstanding authors with a brief interview of their unique perspective and insightful view as authors

Outstanding Authors

Christopher F. Janowak, University of Cincinnati, USA

Haytham Elgharably, Sydell and Arnold Miller Family Heart, USA

Taryne A. Imai, University of Hawaii, USA



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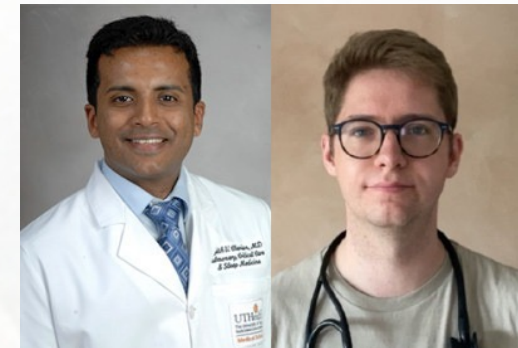
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14. Reviewer of the Month (2024)

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

Month	Outstanding Reviewer
February 2024	Sujith V. Cherian, Lyndon B Johnson Hospital, USA
April 2024	Mikkel Nicklas Frandsen, Zealand University Hospital, Denmark
June 2024	Emanuele Stirpe, Teaching Hospital of Paracelsus Medical University, Italy
August 2024	Sarah N. Price, Wake Forest University, USA
September 2024	Masaaki Nagano, National Center for Global Health and Medicine, Japan



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15. Introduction to AME Publishing Company

Our Publisher:

AME Publishing Company

<http://www.amegroups.com/>

- Established in 2009
- Registered in Hong Kong
- 10 offices around the world

- 60+ peer-reviewed journals
34 indexed in Web of Science (SCIE/ESCI)
21 indexed in PubMed/PMC/MEDLINE

- 200+ Medical Books
80+ Medical Books in English
120+ Medical Books in Chinese
150+ Electronic Editions