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1. Indexing and Impact Factor

Elsevier are proud to announce that *Journal of Forensic and Legal Medicine* has been accepted for coverage by Thomson Reuters (formerly Thomson Scientific/ISI) abstracting and indexing services, including the Journal Citation Reports®.

The Journal will receive its first Impact Factor in 2012. The IF for any given year is published annually in late summer/early autumn of the following year in the Journal Citation Reports. As a result, the 2011 IF for *JFLM* will be published in 2012.

Abstracting and indexing will begin with Volume 16, Issue 1 (2009) in the following TR products and services:

- Science Citation Index Expanded (also known as SciSearch®)
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Coverage by Thomson Reuters acknowledges the high-quality and significant work published in the journal and will help to further increase awareness of the journal's topical content to the wide reaching forensic and legal medicine communities. An IF will also increase the attractiveness of *JFLM* to authors seeking to publish their research in peer-reviewed journals.

2. Editorial

Overview of articles received and processed (accepted, rejected, or withdrawn) by the Editorial Office, as well as the rejection rate (previous year's values in brackets for comparison).

Milestones for time measurements are submission, (latest) first decision, author revision time, and final disposition. N.B. only articles submitted to and processed using Elsevier Editorial System (EES) or Editorial Manager (EM) are reported here. This implies that article counts and processing times may deviate somewhat from values reported in subsequent sections of this report.

2011 and previous years

	Subm. No. of articles	No. of articles	Final disposition						
			Processing times (in weeks)			Results			
			Subm. to 1st decn.	Auth. rev. time	Sub. to fin. disp.	Withdrawn	Accepted	Rejected	Rejec. rate
2007	185	148	15.4	7.1	22.3	9	72	67	48%
2008	197	205	15.3	12.2	29.7	16	121	68	36%
2009	197	201	17	6.8	23.5	16	95	90	49%
2010	193	165	20.7	6.6	28.8	10	82	73	47%
2011	59	50	20.6	5.9	31	2	33	15	31%

Measurements per 19 Apr 2011

2. Articles into production

Data 2006 and before are from the *Journal of Clinical Forensic Medicine*:

Previous years	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011 YTD
Articles	77	71	95	149	85	139	103	95	38
Pages	376	284	403	611	383	549	350	325	152

Measurements per 19 Apr 2011

3. Geographical breakdown

3.1 Countries

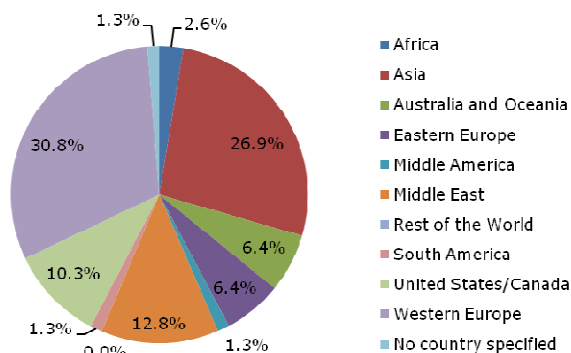
Brief summary of countries of corresponding authors in numbers of articles per country (2011 YTD)

Most accepted papers		Largest increase		Largest decrease	
India	10	India	+20	United Kingdom	-11
Australia	3	Mauritius	+7	Australia	-4
United States	3	Sweden	+7	Canada	-3

Measurements per 21 Apr 2011

3.2 World regions

Regional breakdown of corresponding authors (2011 YTD)



4. Issue Progress

4.1 Published issues

Issues that have been sent to the subscribers (2010)

Year	Vol/iss	Cover date	Spec / reg	Special issue title	Pages	Edit. pages
	17/1	01 Jan 2010	R		60	53
	17/2	01 Feb 2010	R		64	57
	17/3	01 April 2010	R		64	60
	17/4	01 May 2010	R		60	54
	17/5	01 July 2010	R		68	64
	17/6	01 Aug 2010	R		72	65
	17/7	01 Oct 2010	R		52	48
	17/8	01 Nov 2010	R		56	49
Total 2010	8				496	450

Issues that have been sent to the subscribers (2011 YTD)

Year	Vol/iss	Cover date	Spec / reg	Special issue title	Pages	Edit. pages
	18/1	01 Jan 2011	R		56	47
	18/2	01 Feb 2011	R		52	47
	18/3	01 Apr 2011	R		52	47
Total 2011 YTD	3				160	141

Measurements per 21 Apr 2011

4.2 Previous years

	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011 YTD
Issues	6	6	8	8	8	8	8	3
Total pages	384	388	416	560	580	536	496	160
Edit. pages	332	329	369	514	538	500	450	141

Measurements per 21 Feb 2011

4.4 Articles not yet assigned to an issue

Regular articles or articles for listed special issues		No. of articles	No. of pages
Regular articles		9	34
<i>Non-regular (among others S.I.) not yet assigned to an issue</i>		9	34
Total		9	34

Measurements per 21 Apr 2011

5. Publication speed

5.1 All articles (2010 and 2011 YTD)

Measurements in weeks. Averages, including the average over all issues, are weighted over all articles in each issue. Editorial time is defined as time between first submission and arrival at the Elsevier offices; Production time as the time between arrival at the Elsevier offices and (1) web publication of the article in final version on ScienceDirect, (2) web publication of the complete journal issue on ScienceDirect, and (3) despatch of the printed issue from the warehouse; and finally the total publication time as the time from submission to despatch of the issue from the warehouse.

	Issue type	No. of articles	Editorial time	Production time			Publication time	
				Article in final version on web	Complete issue on web	Printed issue	On web	Printed issue
All issues 2010		91	36.8	6.1	17.1	19.5	53.9	56.3

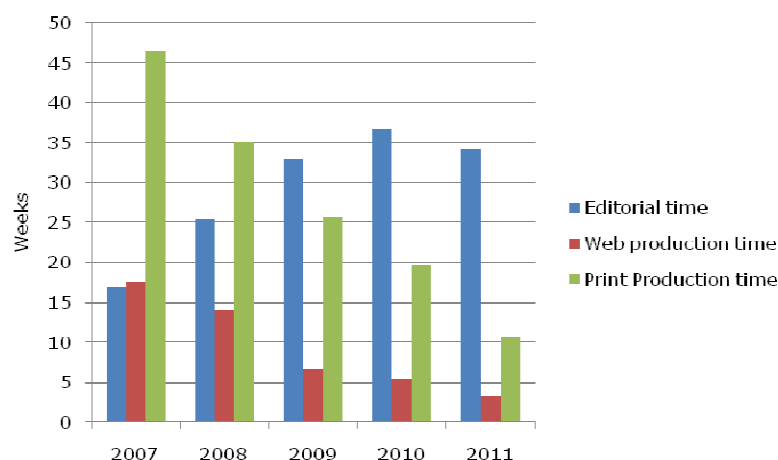
Measurements per 15 Feb 2011

	Issue type	No. of articles	Editorial time	Production time			Publication time	
				Article in final version on web	Complete issue on web	Printed issue	On web	Printed issue
All issues 2011 YTD		32	34.2	3.3	8.5	10.6	42.6	44.7

Measurements per 16 Apr 2011

5.2 Previous years

Graphical presentation of average publication time of printed issues over previous years.



6. ScienceDirect Usage

Counts of downloaded article files (usage) from ScienceDirect during the indicated period. This is usage for Full text all access types.

Articles online: 619 (Journal of Forensic and Legal Medicine)
 Articles online: 1325 (Journal of Clinical and Forensic Medicine)

6.1 Usage previous years

Downloads per year	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011 YTD
J of Forensic and Legal Medicine	17857	50357	77199	84387	21763
J of Clinical and Forensic Medicine	37028	40663	34879	35773	9052
TOTAL	54885	91020	112078	120160	30815

Measurements per 19 Apr 2011

6.2 Most downloaded articles

Overview of most often downloaded articles during the last full quarter (Q4-2010).

Downloads	Article title	Vol./iss.	On-line published	Publication date
881	<u>Are full or empty beer bottles sturdier and does their fracture-threshold suffice to break the human skull? (Bolliger, S.A.; Ross, S.; Oesterhelweg, L.; Thali, M.J.; Kneubuehl, B.P.)</u>	16/3	07-Nov-2008	Apr-2009
280	<u>What constitutes a normal ante-mortem urine GHB concentration? (Mari, F.; Politi, L.; Trignano, C.; Di Milia, M.G.; Di Padua, M.; Bertol, E.)</u>	16/3	29-Oct-2008	Apr-2009
225	<u>Adverse events, toxicity and post-mortem data on duloxetine: Case reports and literature survey (Vey, E.L.; Kovelman, I.)</u>	17/4	19-Mar-2010	May-2010
210	<u>A brief history of Forensic odontology since 1775 (Bruce-Chwatt, R.M.)</u>	17/3	09-Feb-2010	Apr-2010
186	<u>Drug facilitated sexual assault - A review (Hall, J.A.; Moore, C.B.T.)</u>	15/5	18-Apr-2008	Jul-2008
164	<u>One model of healthcare provision lessons learnt through clinical governance (Webb, V.; Stark, M.; Cutts, A.; Tait, S.; Randle, J.; Green, G.)</u>	17/7	14-Jul-2010	Oct-2010
153	<u>The use of infrared aided photography in identification of sites of bruises after evidence of the bruise is absent to the naked eye (Rowan, P.; Hill, M.; Gresham, G.A.; Goodall, E.; Moore, T.)</u>	17/6	10-May-2010	Aug-2010
148	<u>A new classification of necrophilia (Aggrawal, A.)</u>	16/6	28-Jan-2009	Aug-2009
146	<u>Drug-facilitated sexual assault in Ontario, Canada: Toxicological and DNA findings (Du Mont, J.; Macdonald, S.; Rotbard, N.; Bainbridge, D.; Asllani, E.; Smith, N.; Cohen, M.M.)</u>	17/6	15-Jun-2010	Aug-2010
138	<u>Sudden cardiac death of a woman during extramarital sex: A case report and review of the literature (Gips, H.; Zaitsev, K.; Hiss, J.)</u>	17/4	25-Jan-2010	May-2010
136	<u>Forensic implications of carnivore scavenging on human remains recovered from outdoor locations in Greece (Moraitis, K.; Spiliopoulou, C.)</u>	17/6	27-Apr-2010	Aug-2010

133	<u>Deaths in custody: Are some due to electronic control devices (including TASER(R) devices) or excited delirium? (Jauchem, J.R.)</u>	17/1	09-Aug-2008	Jan-2010
131	<u>The issue of euthanasia in Greece from a legal viewpoint (Voultsos, P.; Njau, S.N.; Vlachou, M.)</u>	17/3	27-Jan-2010	Apr-2010
130	<u>Dental age estimation in Egyptian children, comparison between two methods (El-Bakary, A.A.; Hammad, S.M.; Mohammed, F.)</u>	17/7	15-Jul-2010	Oct-2010
127	<u>Homicides against infants, children and adolescents in Budapest (1960-2005) (Toro, K.; Feher, S.; Farkas, K.; Dunay, G.)</u>	17/8	19-Sep-2010	Nov-2010
125	<u>ECG-voltage in alcoholics and non-alcoholics with acute alcohol intoxication (Aasebo, W.)</u>	16/7	24-Feb-2009	Oct-2009
122	<u>Anthropometric and anthroposcopic analysis of different shapes of faces in group of Indian population: A pilot study (Mane, D.R.; Kale, A.D.; Bhai, M.B.; Hallikerimath, S.)</u>	17/8	29-Sep-2010	Nov-2010
115	<u>Comparison of gunshot injuries caused from Tokarev, Makarov and Glock 19 pistols at firing distances of 1, 3 and 5 cm (Lepik, D.; Vassiljev, V.)</u>	17/8	12-Sep-2010	Nov-2010
110	<u>Applications and limitations of Forensic Biomechanics: A Bayesian perspective (Freeman, M.D.; Kohles, S.S.)</u>	17/2	09-Oct-2009	Feb-2010
109	<u>Visual assessment of the timing of bruising by forensic experts (Pilling, M.L.; Vanezis, P.; Perrett, D.; Johnston, A.)</u>	17/3	19-Jan-2010	Apr-2010
107	<u>Alcohol concentration and carbonation of drinks: The effect on blood alcohol levels (Roberts, C.; Robinson, S.P.)</u>	14/7	16-May-2007	Oct-2007
107	<u>Sex differences from fingerprint ridge density in the Indian population (Nayak, V.C.; Rastogi, P.; Kanchan, T.; Lobo, S.W.; Yoganarasimha, K.; Nayak, S.; Rao, N.G.; Pradeep Kumar, G.; Suresh Kumar Shetty, B.; Menezes, R.G.)</u>	17/2	06-Oct-2009	Feb-2010
104	<u>Estimation of stature from dimensions of hands and feet in a North Indian population (Krishan, K.; Sharma, A.)</u>	14/6	18-Jan-2007	Aug-2007
102	<u>References to the paraphilias and sexual crimes in the Bible (Aggrawal, A.)</u>	16/3	22-Oct-2008	Apr-2009
97	<u>Mitochondrial DNA sequence analysis of a native Bolivian population (Afonso Costa, H.; Carvalho, M.; Lopes, V.; Balsa, F.; Bento, A.M.; Serra, A.; Andrade, L.; Anjos, M.J.; Vide, M.C.; Pantoja, S.; Vieira, D.N.; Corte-Real, F.)</u>	17/5	31-Mar-2010	Jul-2010

Measurements per 01 Mar 2011

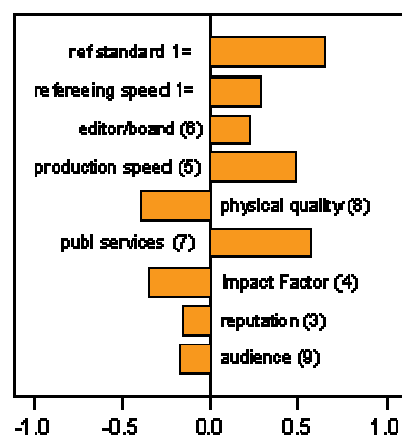
7. Author Feedback Program

The Author Feedback Program is a continuous research program monitoring the performance of Elsevier's primary journals. It allows us to closely monitor author opinion and thus journal performance. Authors are invited to rate a number of statements concerning their publishing experience. These statements are grouped into areas, including reputation, peer review, production speed, publishing services, the editorial board and impact factor.

7.1 Benchmarking performance

We also ask the author to rate another journal in which they have recently published. We then compare the score for each area or factor for *Journal of Forensic and Legal Medicine* against the average of all other titles. The "average", which is a convenient benchmark, is zero on the chart. Scores above zero mean for that area, *Journal of Forensic and Legal Medicine* is rated higher than average (scores above 0.5 would place *Journal of Forensic and Legal Medicine* in the top third of journals). Conversely, factor scores below zero, mean for that area, *Journal of Forensic and Legal Medicine* is rated lower than average (scores below -0.5 would place *Journal of Forensic and Legal Medicine* in the bottom third of journals).

Figures in brackets indicate how important each factor is to respondents, where 1=highest, and 9=lowest.



Measurements per Mar10

8. Marketing update

Marketing objectives for the Journal of Forensic and Legal Medicine (JFLM) focus on the following areas:

- Journal subscriptions (personal, members and large academic and government customers)
- JournalsConsult sales (small to medium sized hospitals)
- Author marketing
- Online usage

8.1 Journal subscriptions

Personal market

The number of personal subscriptions is monitored to keep track of developments such as attrition. If the number of subscriptions decreases substantially compared to prior year, initiatives can be developed to drive the number of subscriptions eg. set-up a discounted price for first time subscribers, distribution of subscription leaflets at exhibitions and promotion of JFLM in other medical informatics journals published by Elsevier.

Win Back campaign

Our Campaign Management team ran a Win-back campaign in January 2010. Lapsed subscribers (2007-2009) in the US region were contacted through a telemarketing agency to find out their reasons for not renewing. The most heard responses were: a) the price, b) the content was no longer relevant in their profession and c) people were accessing the journal through their library. The plan is to repeat this exercise in the European region to better understand the reasons for non-renewal by individuals.

Institutional market

ScienceDirect

ScienceDirect is our premier online offering to customers in the Academic, Government and Corporate markets. It is sold by our sales force into territories worldwide and has a 95% penetration in this market. Access to JFLM on SciVerse ScienceDirect is available through: <http://www.sciencedirect.com/science/journal/1752928X>.

Renewal efforts

All subscription types receive a renewal effort prior to the expiration of the subscription term. Print subscribers (personal, member and institutional) receive up to 6 six renewal efforts from Elsevier. Customers subscribing through an agent will receive a renewal notice via that channel.

Our sales team take care of the renewal of ScienceDirect licences (which are often multi-year agreements) and e-only institutional subscriptions.

8.2 Promotion at Conferences

JFLM is promoted at all relevant conferences, either through an Elsevier manned stand, an insert into delegate packs or through sample copies of the journal being sent. Key conferences where the journal had or will have significant promotion include:

- FSS Spring Conference
- FFLM Meeting
- European Human Genetics conference 2010
- International Association for Identification
- British Society of Human Genetics
- FSS Autumn Conference
- The Australian and New Zealand Forensic Science Society
- American Academy of Forensic Sciences
- European Academy of Forensic Science Conference
- Faculty of Forensic and Legal Medicine Annual Conference
- Forensic Science Society Conferences
- International Association of Forensic Sciences
- International Society for Forensic Genetics
- Japanese Society of Legal Medicine