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Thomson Reuters 2010 Journal Citation Reports Reflect Growing Importance of Asia Pacific Journals

A total of 138 new journal titles from Asia Pacific receive their first Journal Impact Factor

Asia Pacific, July 13 , 2011– Thomson Reuters has announced the release of the 2010 *Journal Citation Reports*[®] (*JCR*), the world's most influential source of information about highly-cited, peer reviewed publications. The Journal Impact Factor, one of many journal performance metrics provided by the *JCR*, is a measure of the frequency with which the average article in a journal has been cited in a particular year. These metrics have come to define journal performance across 238 disciplines of Science and Social Sciences.

Thomson Reuters has successfully added 1,355 quality journals with a regional focus in 84 countries to its services. A total of 522 of these journals with a regional focus are receiving a Journal Impact Factor for the first time. This includes 138 new journal titles from Asia Pacific comprising countries such as Australia, China, India, Japan, Malaysia, Nepal, Pakistan, Singapore, South Korea, Sri Lanka, Taiwan and Thailand.

Said Mark Garlinghouse, senior vice president, Asia Pacific at Thomson Reuters, “For *JCR* subscribers in Asia Pacific and across the world, *JCR*'s annual release highlights quality journals to help them enhance their research capabilities. The regional content expansion is part of our continuing effort to provide new, important content that reflects research of regional significance to the diverse Asia Pacific research communities we serve. The new quality journals that have been added to *JCR* reflect the trend of rapidly growing scientific research and development in Asia Pacific, and its impact on innovation.”

The recognized authority for evaluating journals, *JCR* presents quantitative data that supports a systematic, objective review of the world's leading journals. Using a combination of impact and influence metrics, and millions of cited and citing journal data points that comprise the complete journal citation network of Thomson Reuters *Web of Knowledge*, *JCR* enables users such as librarians, publishers, authors, researchers and bibliometricians, to understand a journal's true place in the world of scholarly literature.

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