



RevMan 5 and RevMan Web - important updates for Editorial Staff

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Webinar Outline

- ❖ Introduction and general housekeeping
- ❖ RevMan 5.4
- ❖ Top tips and FAQs
- ❖ RevMan Web: tools for editing
 - ❖ Experience with RevMan Web
- ❖ Ongoing & future developments in RevMan Web
- ❖ Questions



RevMan 5.4

Sally Bell-Syer, Managing Editor Support

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RevMan 5

- ❖ The first step to retire RevMan 5:
Releasing RevMan 5.4 and the formal launch of RevMan Web
- ❖ Note RevMan 5 will not be retired until RMW supports all review formats.
- ❖ Key message to MEs now: Support your authors in using RevMan Web



Why RevMan 5.4?

The three key reasons for the release of RevMan 5.4 are:

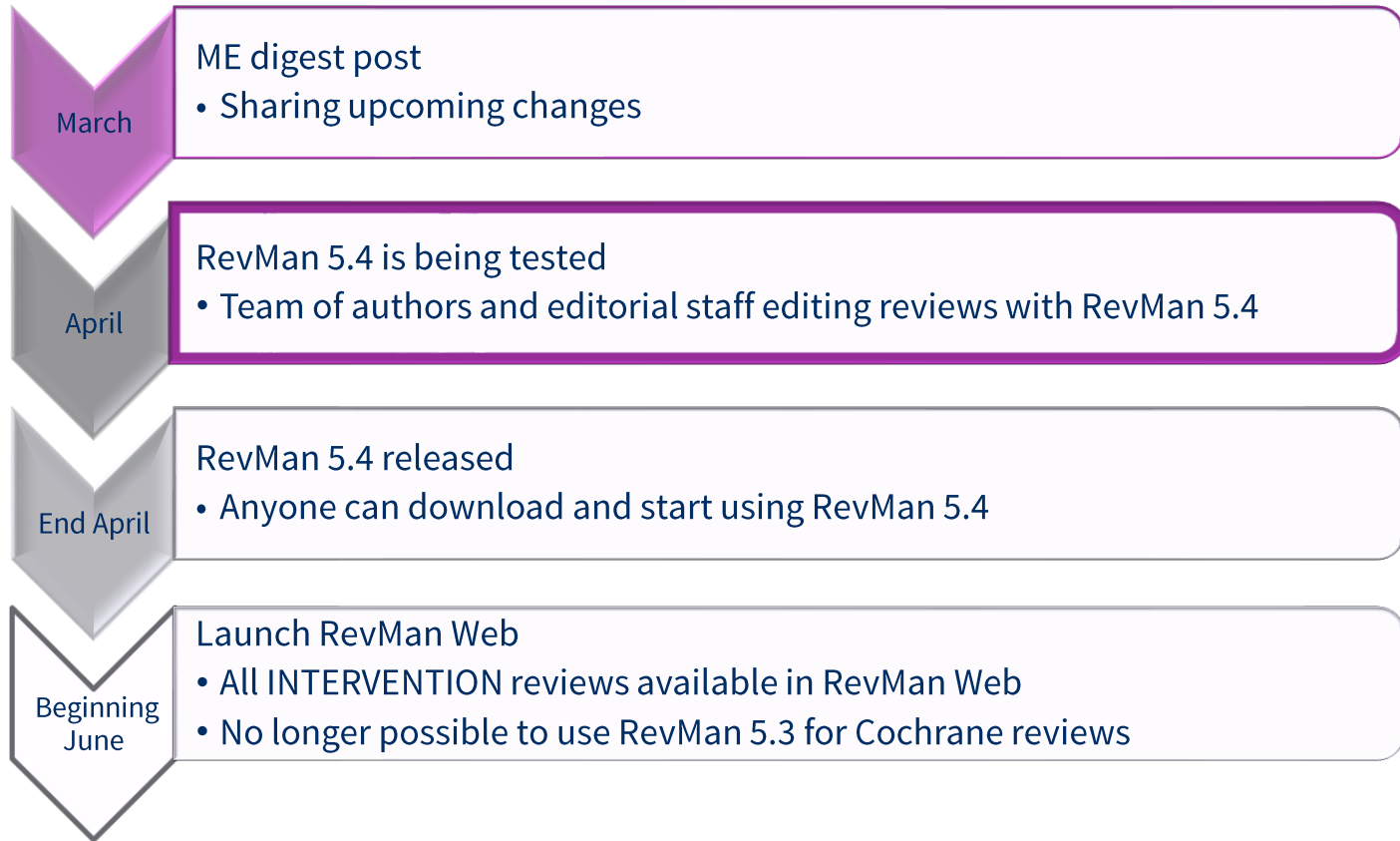
- ❖ to reduce the dependency between RevMan 5 and Archie in preparation for implementing the new Editorial Management System Key message to MEs now: Support your authors in using RevMan Web
- ❖ to simplify the process of starting to use RevMan Web (after a certain point all reviews will be available in RevMan Web)
- ❖ RevMan 5.3 was becoming a security concern.
The security settings in RevMan 5.4 bring the programme up to date. This is important because RevMan 5.4 will continue to be used for non-intervention reviews and by non-Cochrane users, when all intervention reviews are accessed in RevMan Web.



What is different in RevMan 5.4?

- ❖ Not much!
- ❖ Review and author details should now be edited in Archie ONLY:
 - Review title
 - Adding/deleting authors and editing author Affiliation information
 - Changing the review stage or phase
- ❖ Check out no longer available in Archie, only in RevMan 5.4

Timeline



Communication and Support

The support team will:

- include notification in Cochrane Digests
 - email authors who have logged in to RevMan in the last 3 months
 - draft a short piece for editorial teams to share with their active authors.
- ❖ New channel on Community slack for RevMan queries:
[#all-support-revman](#)
Hands-on training with support available in Slack



RevMan Web: Top Tips and FAQs

Ursula Gonthier, Cochrane Community
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Quick poll! (1)

For people who have used RevMan Web.

Which option best describes your use of RevMan Web?

1. I use RevMan Web for the majority of my editorial tasks
2. I use RevMan Web when authors do - I like to see what my authors are seeing
3. I use RevMan Web in conjunction with RevMan 5



Quick poll! (2)

For people who rarely/never use RevMan Web.

What would help you to recommend RevMan Web to your authors?

1. Confidence in using RevMan Web myself
2. Increased trust in RevMan Web's stability
3. A clear deadline for the retirement of RevMan 5



Reasons to get to know RevMan Web

1. It's ready ... and your authors are using it!

- ❖ Recent changes in working patterns have seen a marked increase in uptake by authors
- ❖ The switchover from RevMan 5.3-5.4 will mean all intervention reviews are automatically available in RevMan Web
- ❖ You may choose not use RevMan Web for editorial tasks, but it's useful to know the basics to be comfortable answering author queries

2. It's quick

- ❖ No installation means you can open RevMan Web for the first time with one click



Reasons to get to know RevMan Web

3. It's easy ... and familiar

- ❖ You already know your way around RevMan Web. It's just RevMan ... on the Web!
- ❖ User feedback tells us it is more intuitive than RevMan 5

4. It's stable

- ❖ RevMan Web can help users who are experiencing problems with RevMan 5 freezing, lagging or crashing
- ❖ Support cases show that there are few reported issues with RevMan Web – early bugs and glitches have been solved

5. It's up to date

- ❖ RevMan Web is continuously updated, with new features added every 2 weeks
- ❖ It is on track with new developments in Cochrane (Handbook, new methods, Rapid Reviews)

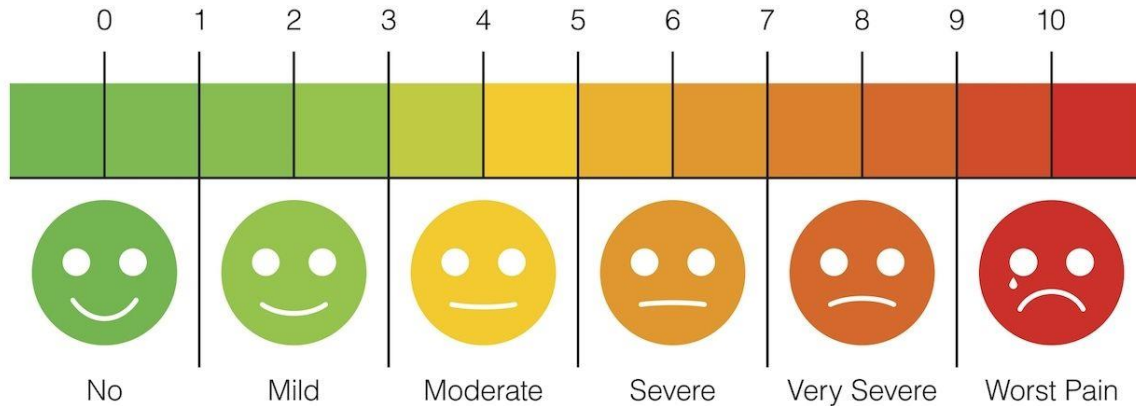
RevMan Web: Top Tips and FAQs

- Questions from editorial teams
- Questions from authors (which editorial teams can answer!)



How painful is it to work in RevMan Web?

PAIN SCALE



Difficulty rating for FAQs

How do I open a review?

Editors

1. Go to Archie
2. Right-click on the review title
3. Select **Edit in RevMan Web**
4. The live, latest version of the review opens



There is no 'check-out' action in RevMan Web

Authoring phase: authors can also be working in the review

Editorial phase: authors cannot access the review



How do I open a review?

Authors

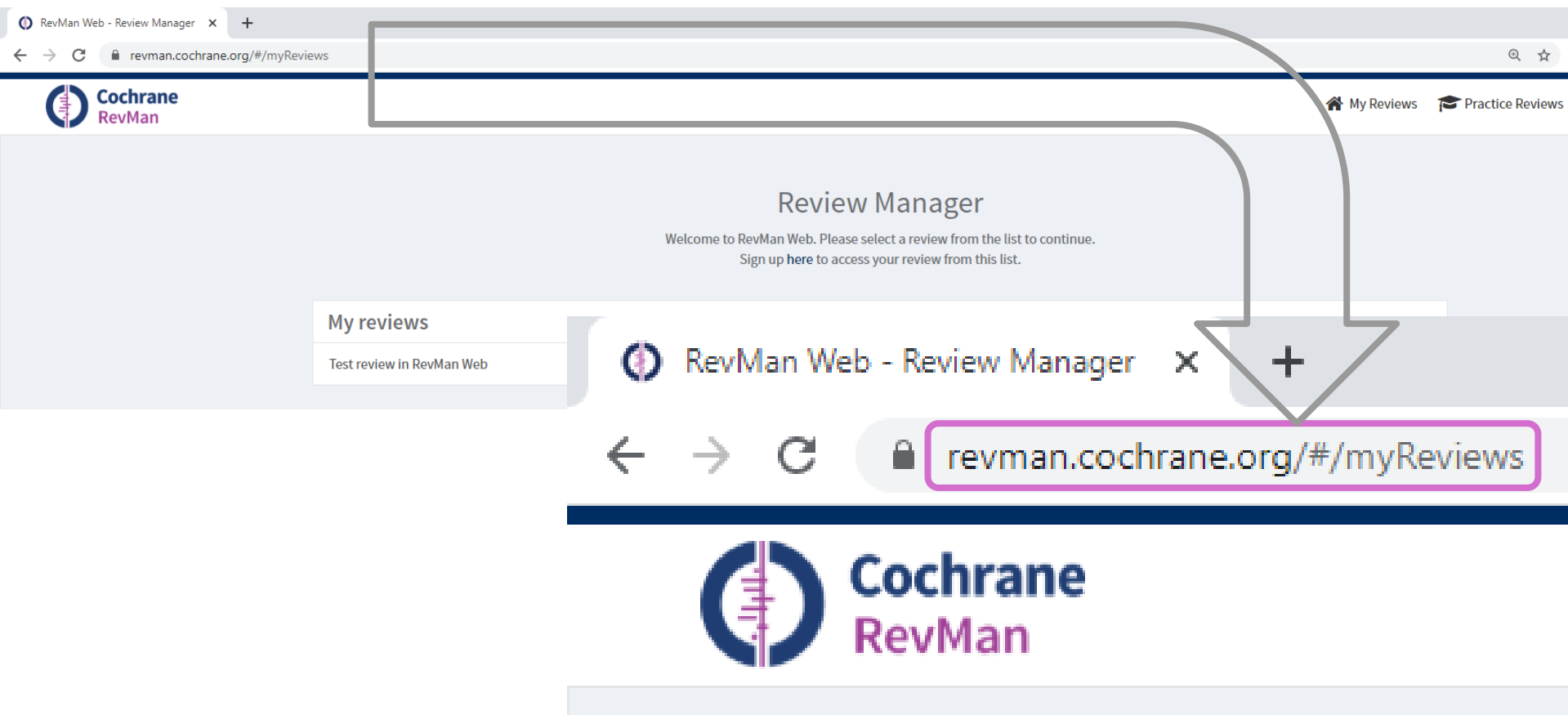
1. Go to RevMan Web
2. Log in with your Cochrane Account
3. Select the review title



Editorial phase: review title is greyed out



Authors' eye view of RevMan Web



RevMan Web - Review Manager x +

revman.cochrane.org/#/myReviews

Cochrane RevMan

My Reviews Practice Reviews

Review Manager

Welcome to RevMan Web. Please select a review from the list to continue.
Sign up [here](#) to access your review from this list.

My reviews

Test review in RevMan Web

RevMan Web - Review Manager x +

revman.cochrane.org/#/myReviews

Cochrane RevMan

How do I check in? *Editors and authors*



1. Go to the History panel on the RevMan Web dashboard
2. Click **Check in to Archie**
3. Add a description and click **OK**
4. Confirm version shows in History panel
5. Checking in does not affect the review availability

Edits made in RevMan Web are continuously and automatically saved

Check in to store a version on the Archie History

Tag a version to note changes or milestones



Is my review in RevMan Web?

Editors

1. Go to Archie
2. Right-click on the review title
3. Option **Edit in RevMan Web** is visible
4. Double-click on the review title
5. Availability on review properties General tab shows as **In RevMan Web**



When RevMan 5.4 takes over from RevMan 5.3 all intervention reviews will be available automatically in RevMan Web – you can move any of your group's reviews into RevMan Web in the meantime

Is my review in RevMan Web?

Authors

1. Go to RevMan Web
2. Log in with your Cochrane Account
3. Review title is not greyed out



Review title greyed out? Your review could be:

- In the editorial phase
- Not yet available in RevMan Web

Contact your review group, email

support@cochrane.org or check in Archie to confirm

How do RevMan Web and RevMan 5 interact?

Editors and authors



1. RevMan 5 and RevMan Web can be used to edit the same review, but not at the same time
2. Checking out a review to RevMan 5 makes it 'view only' in RevMan Web
3. 'Snapshot from RevMan Web' will no longer appear in the Archie History after the switchover from RevMan 5.3-5.4. Only *checked-in* versions will appear on the History.

Author teams working exclusively in RevMan Web, experience fewer 'check-out clashes' and problems of version history



How do RevMan Web and RevMan 5 interact?

Editors and authors



1. Certain advanced integrations in RevMan Web mean reviews can no longer be accessed in RevMan 5
 - ❖ GRADEPro
 - ❖ Risk of Bias 2 (pilot)
 - ❖ Study-centric data (pilot)
2. These integrations are only enabled with the agreement of the editorial base

You can pick the right moment to enable these integrations



How do RevMan Web and Archie interact?

Editors and authors



1. Text edited in RevMan Web does not sync automatically to Archie
2. Edits made in RevMan Web are continuously and automatically saved - in RevMan Web
3. The latest version of a review in RevMan Web can be different from the latest version on the Archie History

Update Affiliations, author order and other details in Archie

Refresh the review in RevMan Web to view



Moving from RevMan 5 to RevMan Web

Editors



1. Start with a new author team, and/or a new title
2. Use the ('NEW2020') workflow template emails encourage authors to use RevMan Web and to signpost support
3. Use the resources on Cochrane Training

Review Manager (RevMan)

There are two versions of Cochrane RevMan: RevMan Web and RevMan 5



► **RevMan Web** is the online platform recommended for [Cochrane intervention reviews](#). RevMan Web has been designed to integrate with other systematic review software and new features and updates are added regularly. If you are a Cochrane Author, you can **sign up** to edit your review in RevMan Web.

► **RevMan 5** is the desktop version of the software used for [other review formats](#) (diagnostic, methodology, flexible), for [non-Cochrane reviews](#), and for [offline working](#). **RevMan 5 is no longer being developed or updated.** You can use RevMan 5 alongside RevMan Web if needed.

**Try it out ... it's just
one click!**



We're here to help

support@cochrane.org





RevMan Web: tools for editing

Anupa Shah, Managing Editor Support

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Recap . . .

RevMan Web: a practical guide for editorial teams

<https://training.cochrane.org/resource/revman-web-practical-guide-editorial-teams>

- Access/open a review in RevMan Web

- How to use:

- Track changes
- Find & replace
- Split tabs
- Spell check
- Notes

- How to edit:

- References
- Studies
- Figures
- Appendices
- Footnotes

What's new . . .

- Validation Report
- Global spell check
- Global search and find



Validation Report

Dashboard

Validation

Review info

Errors: 25

Text

Studies

Other refer

Analyses

Tables

Figures

Warnings: 15

Description	Location
New citation event present without corresponding update event.	Review info > Dates and events
Internal sources of support is empty.	Review info > Sources of support
External sources of support is empty.	Review info > Sources of support
Description of studies is empty.	Text > Results > Description of studies
Allocation (selection bias) is empty.	Text > Results > Risk of bias in included s

External sources of support is empty.

Review info > Sources of support

Internal sources of support

[+ Add Source of support](#)

Name	Country	Description	Action
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External sources of support

[+ Add Source of support](#)

Name	Country	Description	Action
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[Help](#) ▾ [Log out](#) [Context](#)

Context

- Standards <
- Summary of findings <
- Analyses <
- Notes <
- Validation errors <
- Validation warnings >

...Refresh

New citation event present without co...

Internal sources of support is empty.

External sources of support is empty.

Description of studies is empty.

Allocation (selection bias) is empty.

Blinding (performance bias and detect...

Incomplete outcome data (attrition bi...

Use the list to navigate to/address each error/warning



Global spell check



Description of the condition

Add Note

Daytime drowsiness is a common symptom of fatigue after a normal amount of sleep (O'Connor 2004). Daytime drowsiness impairs social and occupational performance, and has significant economic repercussions (O'Connor 2004). Daytime drowsiness (Hetrick 2004)

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More suggestions ▶

Ignore all

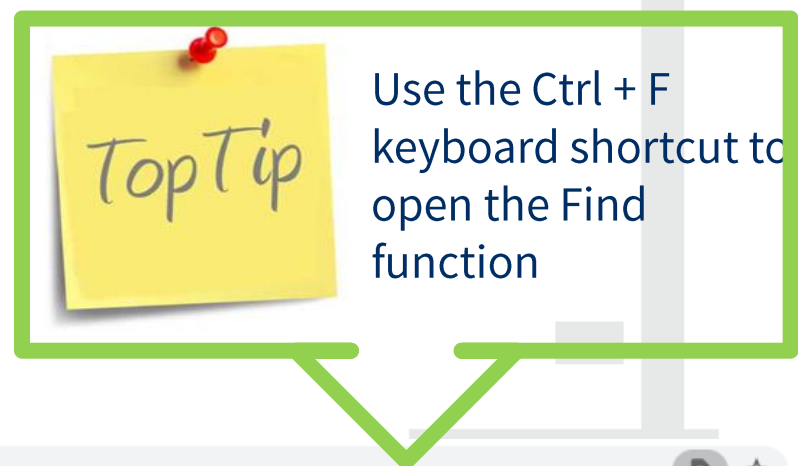
Add word

Paste Ctrl+V

Right-click
the word

Global search and find

Full text



My re

drowsiness

2/27



Format



Description of the condition

Add Note








Daytime **drowsiness** is defined as self-reported fatigue after a normal amount of sleep (O'Connor 2004). Daytime **drowsiness** impairs social and occupational functioning, and it is likely that it has an impact on workplace productivity, with significant economic repercussions (O'Connor 2004). Self-reported estimates indicate that up to 50% of the Australian population may suffer from daytime **drowsiness** (Hetrick 2004).

Description of the intervention

Add Note

Caffeinated drinks are a traditional remedy for daytime **drowsiness** (Bolton 1981), including coffee, tea, cola, etc. Caffeinated drinks are regularly consumed in many countries as part of the daily diet, and are widely believed to increase alertness and alleviate **drowsiness**.

Tools for editing reviews

-  Global validation report
-  Global search and find
-  Global spell check
-  Track changes
-  Add comments (Notes)
-  Find and replace
-  Edit: references, studies, footnotes, PRISMA



Resources for this section

- **RevMan Web: quickstart guide for editorial teams**

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9Hz2ickD5Rg&list=PLxFw8aTtvq-fR5wv2ilDu7FGQ2_GeICbG&index=2

- **RevMan Web: using the spell check to correct your review**

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uFMmbTmVluA&list=PLxFw8aTtvq-fR5wv2ilDu7FGQ2_GeICbG&index=1

- **RevMan Web: resolving Validation errors and warnings**

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=10YX4kFAYTc&list=PLxFw8aTtvq-fR5wv2ilDu7FGQ2_GeICbG&index=4

<https://documentation.cochrane.org/revman-kb>

RevMan Web for Editorial Staff

[What is RevMan Web? \(Editorial Staff\)](#)

[How can I access a review in RevMan Web? \(Editorial Staff\)](#)

[Which of my group's reviews are in RevMan Web? \(Editorial Staff\)](#)

[Finding your way around a review in RevMan Web \(Editorial Staff\)](#)

[How can I make a review available in RevMan Web? \(Editorial Staff\)](#)

[Version control and version history \(Editorial Staff\)](#)

[Working together in RevMan Web \(Editorial Staff\)](#)

[Managing the editorial process in RevMan Web \(Editorial Staff\)](#)

[Editorial base quality checks \(Editorial Staff\)](#)

[Troubleshooting \(Editorial Staff\)](#)



RMW Knowledge Base

WEBINAR

**RevMan Web: a practical
guide for editorial teams**



RevMan Web: My experience

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Experience with RevMan Web

- Currently using for ~90% of reviews and updates (except for DTA, overviews, large NMAs etc.) and encouraging for new protocols
- Faster uptake by new author teams than legacy teams familiar with RevMan 5
- Increased author support required but RevMan Web Knowledge Base, Support Team and training webinars are good resources
- Recommend all past and upcoming webinars and following progress/updates



Pros and Cons

- Plugins*
- Easy to access from anywhere
- Ability to work collaboratively (including joint editorial review)
- Autosave / responsiveness
- Accessible knowledge base
- Responsive & receptive RevMan Web team
- Easy to activate via Archie
- RoB-2 integration
- Very quick to learn
- Coordinating RoB-2 and GRADEPro activation & access to RevMan 5 (lack of CRG control)
- Slow/tentative uptake
- Increased author support / # of inquiries
- Lack of clarity on Archie to RevMan crosstalk
- Momentary technical errors
- Preview PDF and Status Report only via Archie
- Editing tables and figures





Plugins




FIND & REPLACE



grammarly.com



SPLIT TABS



todoist



What happens if I accidentally leave the review open on a shared computer?

What RoB-2 features are in RevMan Web? What other tools do I have to use?

Common Author Queries

What if I make interim changes and want to reverse them?

What can I do if there are network disruptions?

Are there any security concerns?

Is there training available?

What if I change my mind?

What features are/are not available compared to RM5

How do I update my author information?

What browser should I use?

Can I use GRADEPro, Covidence etc.?

Can I still use RevMan 5? Can authors use different RevMan platforms?

How do I access the PDF preview?

How do I access my Review?

RevMan Web

Ongoing & future development

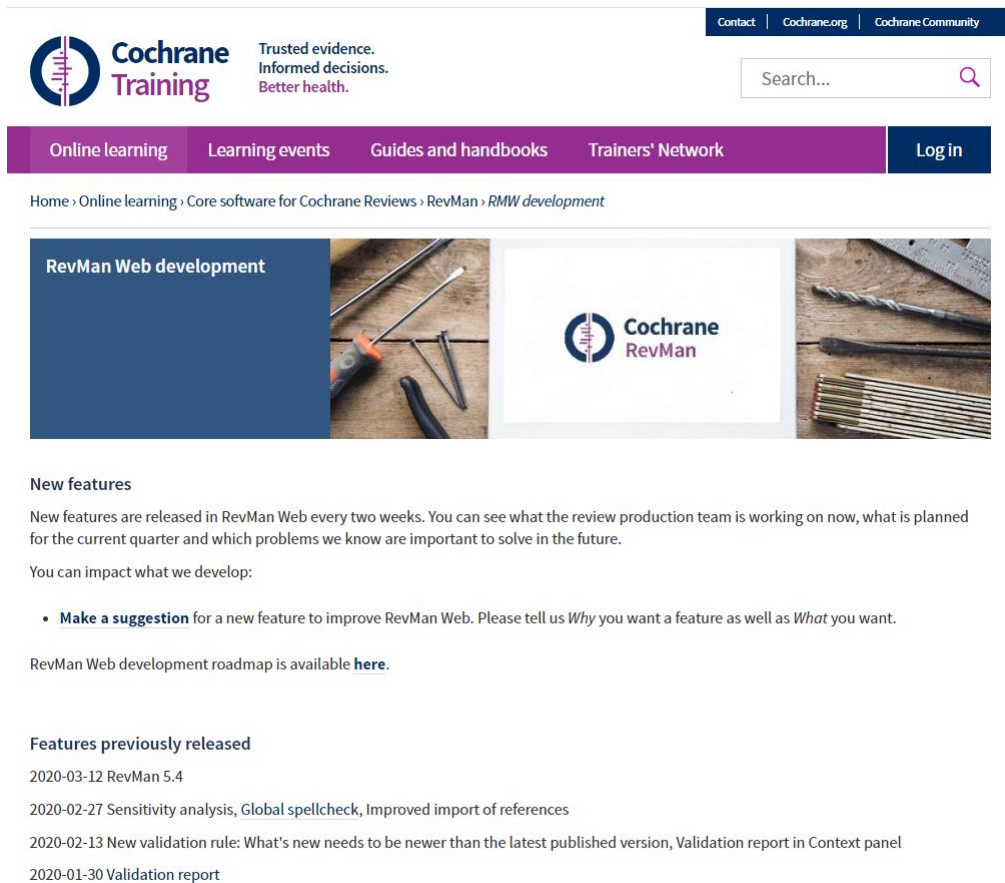
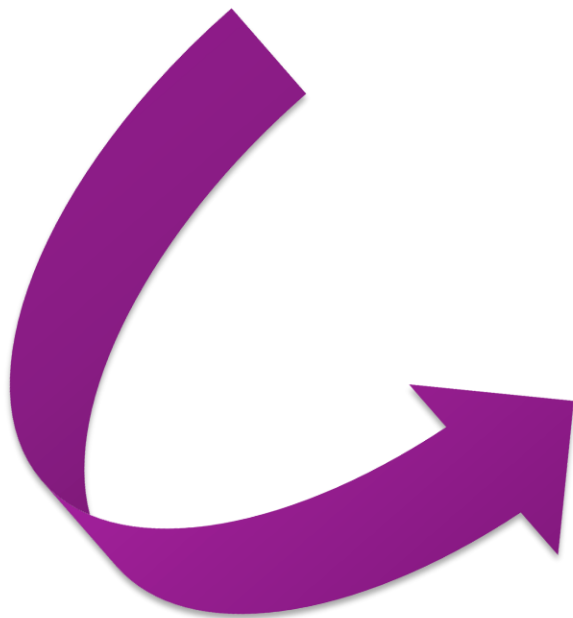


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RevMan Web development

New features

New features are released in RevMan Web every two weeks. You can see what the review production team is working on now, what is planned for the current quarter and which problems we know are important to solve in the future.

You can impact what we develop:

- **Make a suggestion** for a new feature to improve RevMan Web. Please tell us *Why* you want a feature as well as *What* you want.

RevMan Web development roadmap is available [here](#).

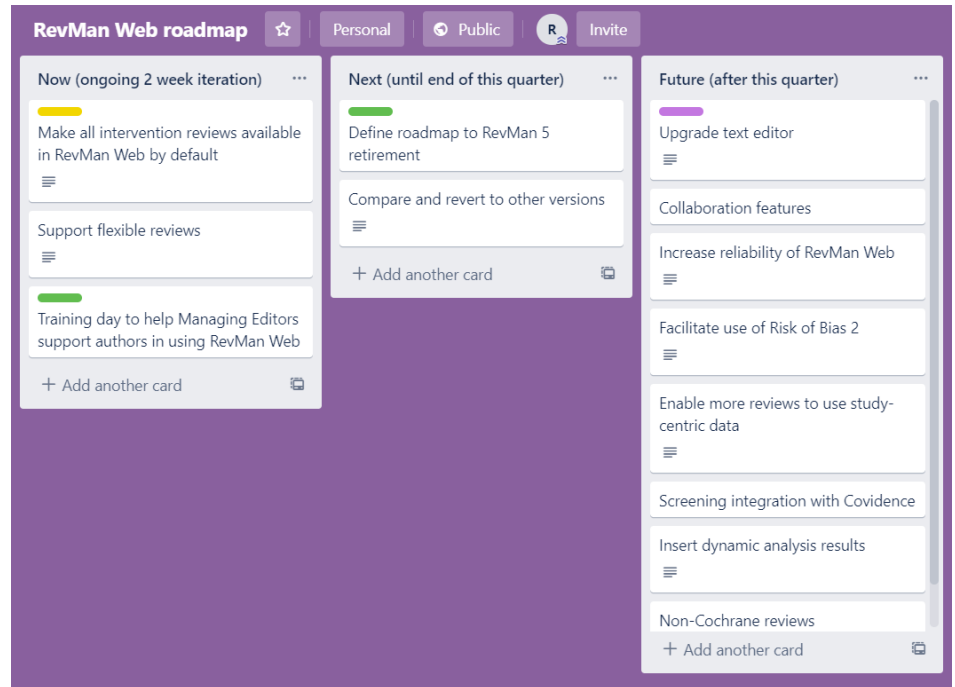
Features previously released

- 2020-03-12 RevMan 5.4
- 2020-02-27 Sensitivity analysis, Global spellcheck, Improved import of references
- 2020-02-13 New validation rule: What's new needs to be newer than the latest published version, Validation report in Context panel
- 2020-01-30 Validation report

<https://training.cochrane.org/online-learning/core-software-cochrane-reviews/revman/rmw-development>

The RevMan Web Roadmap

An overview of short-term and long-term improvements in RevMan Web



RevMan Web roadmap ☆ Personal Public R Invite

- Now (ongoing 2 week iteration)**
 - Make all intervention reviews available in RevMan Web by default
 - Support flexible reviews
 - Training day to help Managing Editors support authors in using RevMan Web
 - + Add another card
- Next (until end of this quarter)**
 - Define roadmap to RevMan 5 retirement
 - Compare and revert to other versions
 - + Add another card
- Future (after this quarter)**
 - Upgrade text editor
 - Collaboration features
 - Increase reliability of RevMan Web
 - Facilitate use of Risk of Bias 2
 - Enable more reviews to use study-centric data
 - Screening integration with Covidence
 - Insert dynamic analysis results
 - Non-Cochrane reviews
 - + Add another card

The RevMan Web Roadmap

Through an editorial lens

Now:

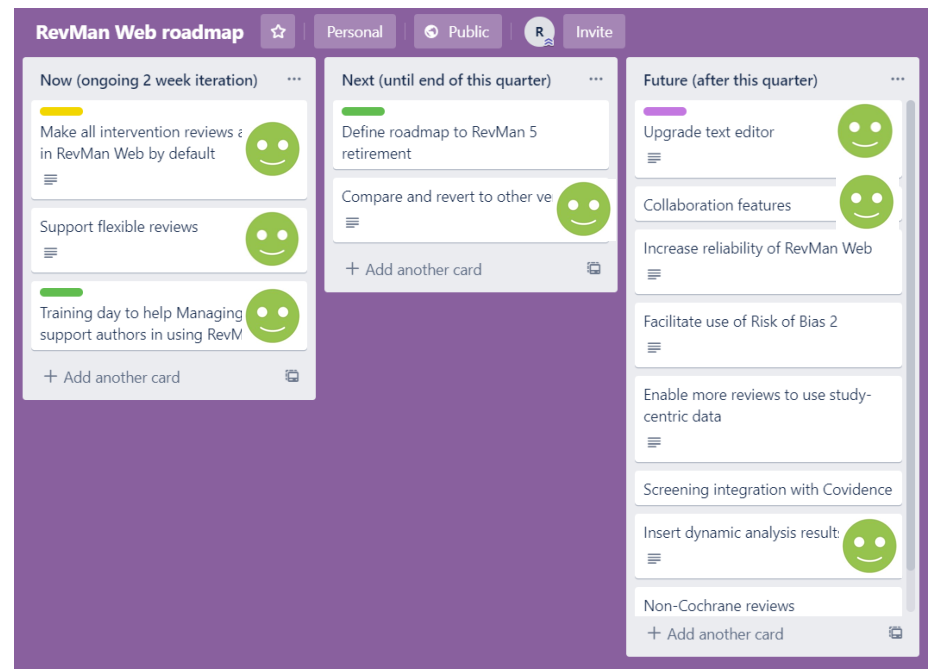
- ❖ All intervention reviews available in RevMan Web
- ❖ Support flexible reviews

Next:

- ❖ Compare and revert to previous versions

Future:

- ❖ Inline commenting system



RevMan Web Suggestion Form

Title of the suggestion *

Keep it short but informative, e.g. 'Another way to move study from included to excluded'

Suggestion description

Describe your suggestion in free text including why it is needed and how important it is

Suggestion as value statement

Describe your suggestion focusing on what value it would bring for you as a user.

E.g. **In order to** manually import all my references saved in EndNote into RevMan Web
as an author starting to work on a review**I want to** bulk import references from a RIS file to a Classification pending under Other references**In order to**

Describe what value the suggestion would bring

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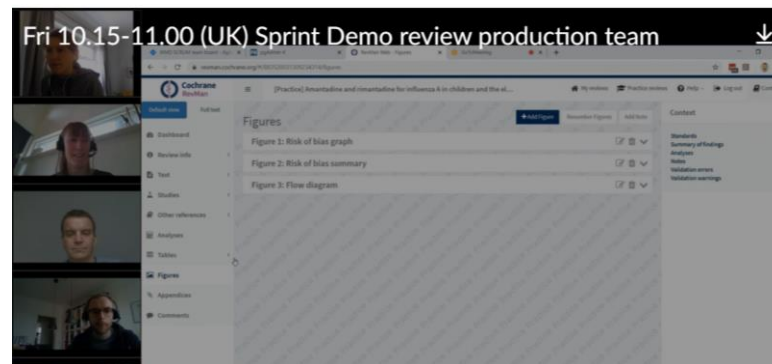
Describe what type of user you are and under which condition

I want to

Describe the functionality you want

Three ways to impact

- ❖ Send in a suggestion
- ❖ Join sprint demos
- ❖ Join the rmw-user-forum



What happens with your feedback?

1. How much impact would the suggestion make on using RevMan Web?
2. Did someone already suggest something similar?
3. How much time does it take to implement?
 - a) If small → improvement bucket → might be released within 2 weeks
 - b) If big → added to backlog or rejected



Help and support

RevMan Web Knowledge Base

<https://documentation.cochrane.org/revman-kb/>

Cochrane Training RevMan Collection

<https://training.cochrane.org/online-learning/core-software-cochrane-reviews/revman>

RevMan Support channel on Slack

#all-support-revman

Online 'drop-in' RevMan clinic on Slack

Thursday 30 April, 2:00pm UTC

Links to resources for authors (CRG website)

<https://eyes.cochrane.org/resources-0>

support@cochrane.org

