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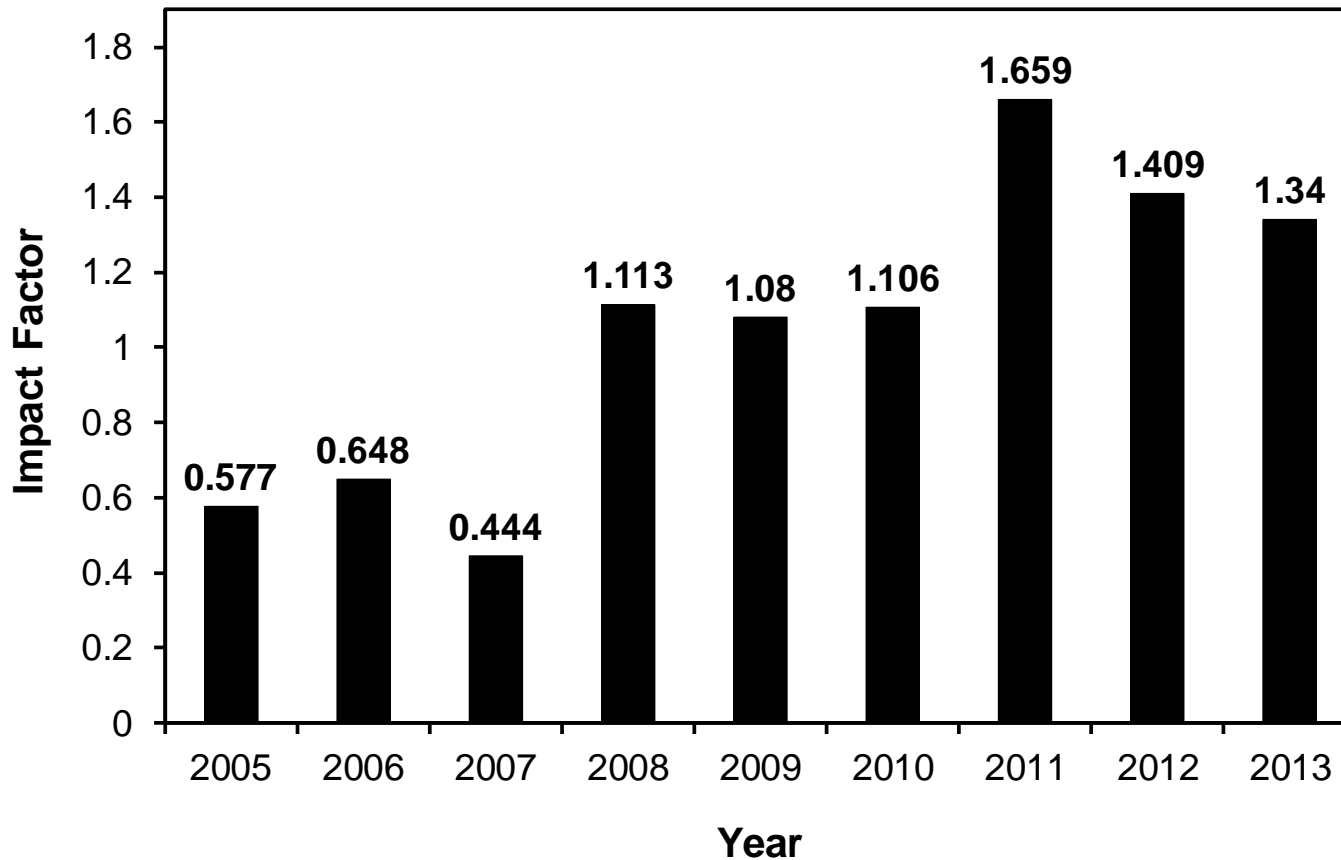
2014

Journal Editorial/Production Report



SAJB joined Elsevier in 2006

Impact factor*



2013
Articles: 172
Total cites: 1703

2012
Articles: 142
Total cites: 1371



*2013 Impact factor, released in 2014

Comments on the Impact factor

- The **number of cites have increased** for the 2013 Impact factor (331 vs 286 for 2012 Impact factor)
- However, **more papers were published in 2011/2012** than in 2010/2011 (247 vs 203), thus the Impact factor has dropped slightly
- The **good news** is that **more papers are being cited than are being published** (i.e. the Impact factor is greater than 1.0 – something that many journals the world over have never achieved!)

Plant science journals

	2013		2012	
	<i>Impact factor</i>	<i>Ranking (of 196)</i>	<i>Impact factor</i>	<i>Ranking (of 197)</i>
Bot. J. Linn. Soc.	2.699	46	2.589	46
Am. J. Bot.	2.463	52	2.586	47
S. Afr. J. Bot.	1.340	98 (▼8)	1.409	90
Aust. J. Bot.	0.903	130	1.204	103
New Zeal. J. Bot.	0.625	153	0.622	147

Data source: Journal Citation Reports® (ISI Web of KnowledgeSM)

Editorial summary

- **673 (719)** articles received and processed by the Editorial Office on the Elsevier Editorial System (EES); from **64 (55)** countries
- Rejection rate = **78% (74%)**
- **145 (180)** articles accepted

	<i>Accepted (%)</i>	<i>Submitted (%)</i>
South Africa	44.8 (46.3)	13.5 (16.3)
India	6.9 (5.1)	20.8 (21.6)
China	4.8 (5.7)	17.8 (11.3)
Tunisia	6.9 (1.7)	5.2 (4.5)
Pakistan	0.7 (0.0)	5.1 (4.5)
Iran	4.1 (0.6)	4.8 (2.0)
Brazil	7.6 (5.1)	4.0 (4.4)

Number in parentheses = value for 2013, for comparison

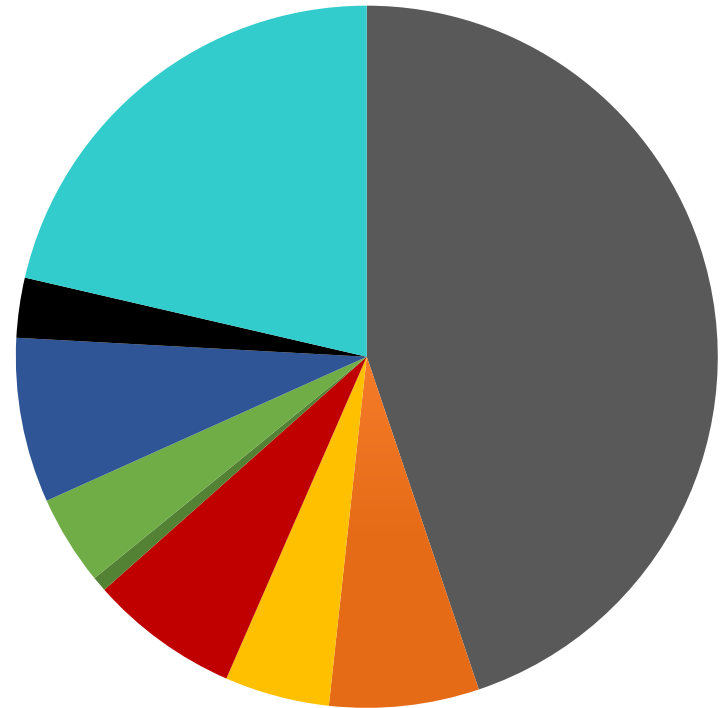
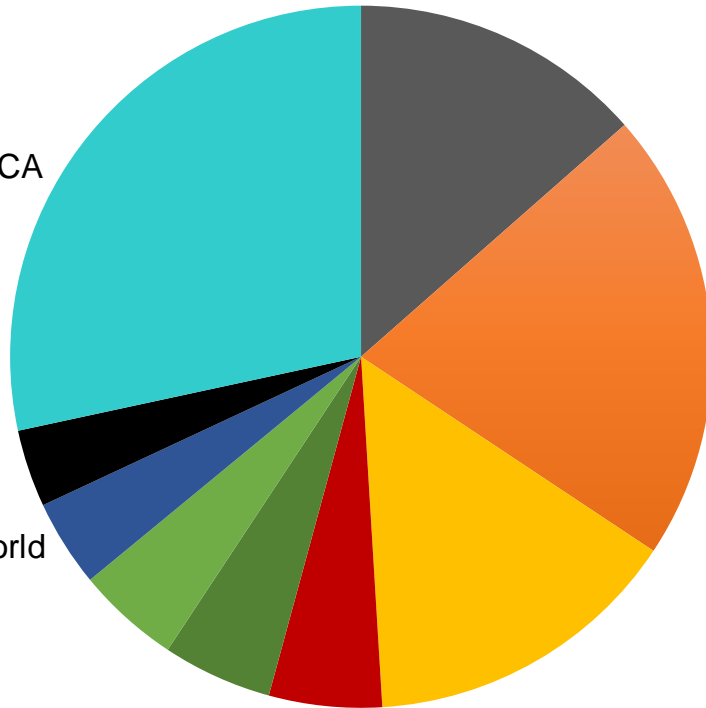


Per country submissions

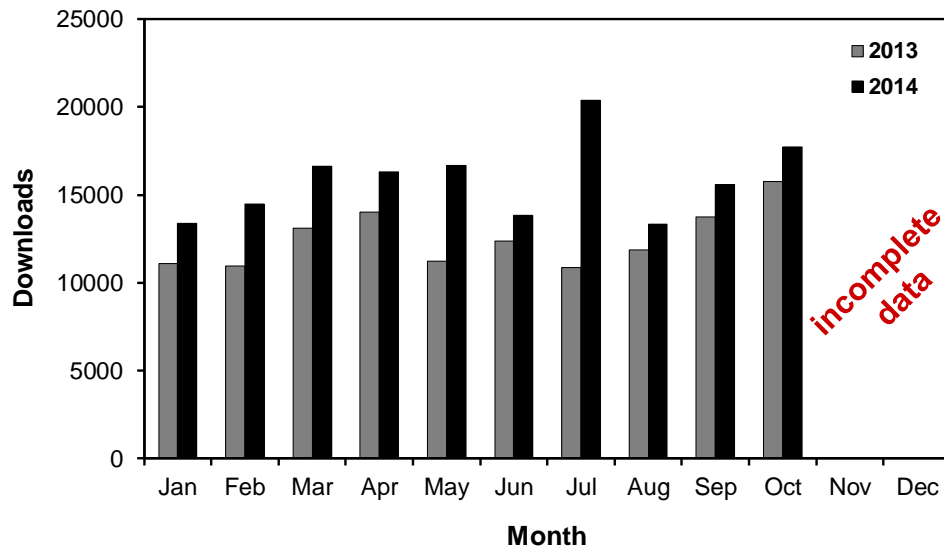
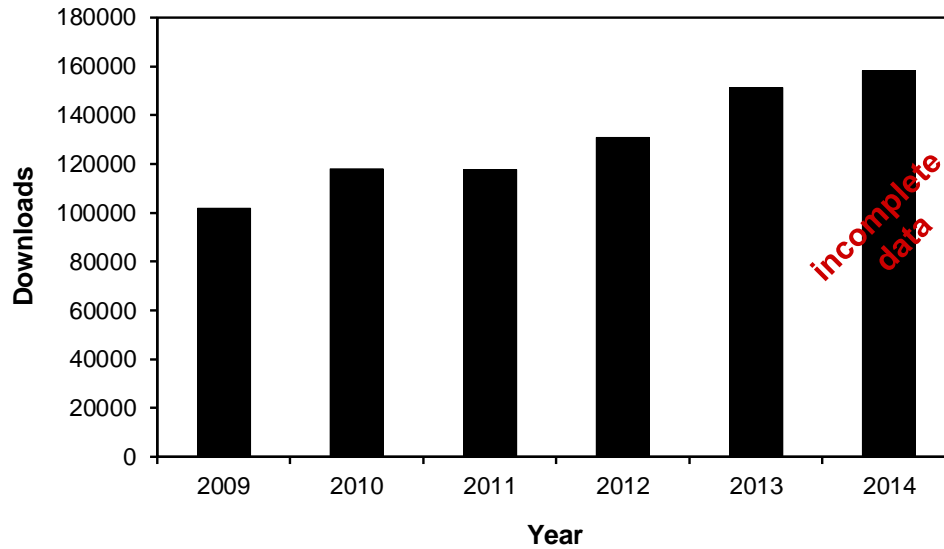
Submissions

Accepted manuscripts

- SOUTH AFRICA
- India
- China
- Tunisia
- Pakistan
- Iran
- Brazil
- Egypt
- Rest of the world



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Final remarks

- In 2014, **6 volumes** were published (Vol. 90 to Vol. 95)
- Downloads via Science Direct still increasing
- Authors have the **option** to publish their article '**Open Access**' (for a publication fee of \$USD 2500)

