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Japanese Encephalitis: A Scientometric Analysis of Publications, 2003-12

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Abstract

The paper presents a analysis of 2496 papers on Japanese encephalitis as indexed in Scopus database during 2003-12, witnessing an annual average growth rate of 7.41% and citation impact per paper of 5.26. The Japanese encephalitis publication output came from 79 countries, of which the top 10 (United States, India, China, Japan, etc) accounted for 88.90% global publication share during 2003-12. Japanese Encephalitis output came from 419 organizations and several authors, of which the top 20 contributed 28.61% and 21.67% share respectively during 2003-12. The largest publication share (65.06%) of output on Japanese Encephalitis came from medicine, followed by immunology & microbiology (40.71%), biochemistry, genetics & molecular biology (18.55%), pharmacology, toxicology & pharmaceuticals (9.33%), veterinary science (9.13%), neurosciences (6.69%), agricultural & biological sciences (5.05%) and environment science (1.40%) during 2003-12. Six countries, namely UK (2.01), USA (1.91), France (1.27), Thailand (1.19), Australia (1.15) and South Korea (1.04) have achieved relative citation rate above 1.

1. INTRODUCTION

Japanese Encephalitis (JE) is a mosquitoes-borne viral infection and is a leading cause of viral infection of the nerve cells (neurons) of the brain.. It belongs to a group of viruses commonly known as arboviruses (transmitted by arthropods) and classified under the Flavivirus genus within the family Flaviviridae. Mosquitoes of the genus *Culex*, namely *Culex tritaeniorhynchus*, *Culex Vishnue*, *Culex gelidus* and *Culex annulus* are the primary vectors of the Japanese Encephalitis virus. The virus exists in a zoonotic transmission cycle among mosquitoes, pigs, bats, and water birds belonging to the family Ardeidae. Humans become infected when bitten by an infected mosquito and are a dead-end host because of low viremia, preventing the virus

from being transmitted further. Pigs are the main contributors in the transmission cycle with respect to human infection, because these animals often stay close to human dwellings. Birds belonging to family Ardeidae (egrets, herons, storks, etc) are believed to be most important hosts of the virus in nature and migratory birds are especially important in virus dispersal¹.

The majority of cases of JE are asymptomatic or non-specific. Children and the elderly most commonly suffer a clinical illness, which can be severe. Approximately one in 250 infections is estimated to become clinically apparent; some will experience a febrile illness with headache, and encephalitis is estimated to occur in 1 in 300 patients. Although symptomatic JE is rare, the case-fatality rate

among those with encephalitis can be as high as 30%. Permanent neurologic or psychiatric sequelae can occur in 30%–50% of those with encephalitis. There is no cure for the disease. Safe and effective vaccines are available to prevent JE. WHO recommends JE vaccination in all regions where the disease is a recognized as a public health problem². 24 countries in the South-East Asia and Western Pacific regions have endemic JE transmission, exposing more than 3 billion people to risks of infection. The annual incidence of clinical disease varies both across and within countries, ranging from <10 to >100 per 100 000 population. The World Health Organization (WHO) estimates that JE causes at least 67,000 cases of clinical disease occur annually in 24 JE endemic countries (annual incidence 1.8 per 100,000 population), mostly among children under 15 years of age, resulting in about 10,000 deaths and 15,000 cases of long-term, neuropsychiatric sequelae.). China (excluding Taiwan) accounts for 50% of cases, and globally 75% of cases occur in children aged 0-14 years (annual incidence of 5.4 per 100,000 populations)^{2,3}.

1.1 Literature Review

Only two studies are reported dealing with bibliometric analysis of Japanese encephalitis literature. Ganguly⁴ studied research profile of 85 Indian research organizations in tropical diseases (including Japanese encephalitis) and 28 research organizations were also studied for their publications and patents in all major tropical diseases. The publication analysis includes research output, citations received, impact factor of journals where papers are published and h-index during 2001-10. The author evaluated the strength and weakness of research of various Indian organizations in different diseases. Garg, Dwivedi and Kumar⁵ analyzed 2074 papers on Japanese encephalitis indexed in Science Citation Index Expanded during 1991-2010. Authors studied growth in research output, geographical distribution of

research output, focus of research and research profile of different countries, pattern of citation output and citation impact of different countries using various indices, and identification of most productive institutions. However, other studies are conducted dealing with global assessment of research publications in measles⁶, cataract⁷, bone marrow⁸, glaucoma⁹, tuberculosis¹⁰, malaria¹¹, malaria vaccine¹² and dengue¹³.

2. OBJECTIVES

The main objectives of this study are to analyze the research performance in Japanese encephalitis research during 2003-12, based on publications output, as indexed in Scopus database. In particular, the study focuses on the following objectives:

1. To study the global research output, its growth and citation impact
2. To study the contribution & citation impact of top 10 most productive countries;
3. To examine the distribution of citations of the global research output;
4. To study the international collaboration share in publication output of top 10 most productive countries and the extent of inter-country collaborative linkages between them;
5. To study the distribution of global research output by broad subject areas and the priorities assigned by top 10 most productive countries in these subject fields;
6. To study the publication productivity and citation impact of leading institutions and authors; and
7. To study the characteristics of the high cited papers

3. Methodology

The study retrieved and downloaded the publication data of the world and of 10 most productive countries in Japanese encephalitis research from the Scopus

database (<http://www.scopus.com>) for 10 years during 2003-12. The keyword “Japanese encephalitis” was used in “title, abstract and keyword” tag and restricting it to the period 2003-12 in “date range tag” was used for searching the global publication data in the study and this was the main search string. When the main search string with restricted to India and other 9 most productive countries in “country tag”, as shown below, the publication data on India and 9 other most productive countries were obtained. When the main search string is further restricted to “subject area tag”, “country tag”, “source title tag”, “author name” and “affiliation tag”, we got information on distribution of publications by subject, collaborating countries, author name wise and organization-wise, etc. For citation data, the three years, two years, one year citation window was used for publications during 2003-10, 2011 and 2012. In addition, citations of publications was also collected from date of publications till the end of 18 August 2014 for sections 4.1 and 4.8. In this study, we restricted to only top 10 most productive countries, as they contributed 89.98% of the world output. Similarly, the analysis was restricted to 20 most productive organizations and 20 authors journals, as they contributed 28.61% and 21.67% share of total Japanese Encephalitis research output.

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4. Analysis

A total of 2496 papers have been published globally on Japanese encephalitis (JE) during the last ten years from 2003-12. Of the total publications, 68.35% appeared as articles, 20.99% as reviews, and the rest as letters,

short surveys, conference papers, editorial, book chapter, etc. The number of world publications on Japanese encephalitis has increased from 213 in 2003 to 377 in 2012, witnessing an annual average growth rate of 7.41%. The cumulative number of publication on Japanese encephalitis has increased from 962 papers during 2003-07 to 1534 papers during 2008-12, registering a growth of 59.46%. The total publications (2496) on Japanese encephalitis during 2003-12 have received 13136 citations on a three year citation window, leading to citation impact per paper of 5.26, increasing from 5.15 during 2003-07 to 5.34 during 2008-12. The h-index registered by total publications during 2003-12 on Japanese encephalitis was 70 (Table 1).

4.1 Citation Pattern of Research Output

Citations of papers since their publication were also examined from 2003 till 15 August 2014. Only 18.15% of the total papers did not get any citations (zero citation) and rest of the 81.85% papers were cited one or more times. Of the total cited papers, 5.85% papers (receiving more than 50 citations) contributed 41.88% citations share, 6.25% papers (receiving citations from 31 to 50) contributed 15.58% citations share, 24.40% papers (receiving citations from 11 to 30) contributed 28.98% citation share and the rest 15.35% papers (receiving citations from 1 to 10) contributed 13.55% citations share.

4.2 Global Publication Share & Citation Impact of Top 10 Most Productive countries

The total research output in Japanese Encephalitis originated in 79 countries during 2003-12. Table 3-4 lists the output of 10 most productive countries that produced 88.90% of the total world output in Japanese Encephalitis. The global publication share of 10 most productive countries on Japanese encephalitis varied from 4.97% to 21.11%, with highest publication share (21.11%) registered by USA,

Table 1. Number of publications & citations received, 2003-12

| Publication Year | No. of Publications | No. of Citations* | Average Citation Per Year |
|-------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 2003 | 213 | 932 | 4.38 |
| 2004 | 176 | 983 | 5.59 |
| 2005 | 183 | 752 | 4.11 |
| 2006 | 174 | 1092 | 6.28 |
| 2007 | 216 | 1193 | 5.52 |
| 2008 | 270 | 1564 | 5.79 |
| 2009 | 286 | 1954 | 6.83 |
| 2010 | 292 | 1798 | 6.16 |
| 2011 | 309 | 1865 | 6.04 |
| 2012 | 377 | 1003 | 2.66 |
| 2003-07 | 962 | 4952 | 5.15 |
| 2008-12 | 1534 | 8184 | 5.34 |
| 2003-12 | 2496 | 13136 | 5.26 |

* Citations are collected on a three years citations window

followed by India (16.23% share), Japan (14.70% share), China (9.17% share), UK (6.25% share), Taiwan (5.49% share), Australia (4.97% share), South Korea (3.85% share), France (3.53% share) and Thailand (3.61% share) during 2003-12. The publication share has increased by 7.69% in China, followed by India (2.26%), Thailand (1.31%) and Japan (0.79%), as against decrease by 2.39% in Taiwan, Australia (2.22%), South Korea (1.34%), USA (0.94%), France (0.68%) and U.K. (0.30%) from 2003-07 to 2008-13 (Table 2). The global citation share of 10 most productive countries on Japanese encephalitis varies from 4.48% to 40.35%, with highest citation share (40.35%) registered by USA, followed by Japan (13.68%), UK (12.55%), India (11.94%), China (5.88%), Australia (5.71%), Taiwan (5.33%), France (4.48%), Thailand (4.28%) and South Korea (4.00%) during 2003-12. The citation share has increased by 5.49% in China, followed by India (4.91%), France (3.18%) and Thailand (2.78%), as against decrease by 5.79% in Japan, South Korea (5.06%), Australia (2.89%), U.K.

(2.42%), Taiwan (2.31%) and USA (1.39%) from 2003-07 to 2008-12. In terms of average citation per paper registered by top 10 most productive countries during 2003-12, the highest (10.56) is achieved by UK, followed by USA (10.06), France (6.69), Thailand (6.24), Australia (6.04), South Korea (5.47), Taiwan (5.11), Japan (4.90), India (3.87) and China (3.38). The largest increase in average citation per paper was reported in France by 6.04, followed India (1.23), China (0.66), USA (0.48) and Taiwan (0.21), as against decrease by 4.51 in South Korea, Japan (2.16), U.K. (1.10) and Australia (0.10) from 2003-07 to 2008-13. In terms of relative citation rates, 6 out of 10 most productive countries have achieved high citation rates (1 and above) during 2003-12. The highest relative citation rate (2.01) was achieved by UK, followed by USA (1.91), France (1.27), Thailand (1.19), Australia (1.15) and South Korea (1.04). The other 4 countries citation rate are Taiwan (0.97), Japan (0.93), followed by India (0.74) and China (0.64). The relative citation rate has increased by 1.10 in France, followed by Thailand (0.39%), India (0.21),

China (0.10) and USA (0.02), as against decrease by 0.90 in South Korea, Japan (0.45), U.K. (0.29) and Australia (0.06) from 2003-07 to 2008-12 (Table 3).

4.3 International Collaboration

The highest share (63.33%) of international collaborative papers among the 10 most

Table 2. Number of papers & citations and citation impact by top 10 most productive countries in Japanese Encephalitis, 2003-12

| Sl. No | Country | Number of Papers | | | Number of Citations* | | | Average Citation Per Paper | | |
|----------------------|-------------|------------------|---------|---------|----------------------|---------|---------|----------------------------|---------|---------|
| | | 2003-07 | 2008-12 | 2003-12 | 2003-07 | 2008-12 | 2003-12 | 2003-07 | 2008-12 | 2003-12 |
| 1 | USA | 209 | 318 | 527 | 2041 | 3259 | 5300 | 9.77 | 10.25 | 10.06 |
| 2 | India | 143 | 262 | 405 | 440 | 1129 | 1569 | 3.08 | 4.31 | 3.87 |
| 3 | Japan | 137 | 230 | 367 | 856 | 941 | 1797 | 6.25 | 4.09 | 4.90 |
| 4 | China | 43 | 186 | 229 | 122 | 651 | 773 | 2.84 | 3.50 | 3.38 |
| 5 | UK | 62 | 94 | 156 | 696 | 952 | 1648 | 11.23 | 10.13 | 10.56 |
| 6 | Taiwan | 67 | 70 | 137 | 335 | 365 | 700 | 5.00 | 5.21 | 5.11 |
| 7 | Australia | 61 | 63 | 124 | 372 | 378 | 750 | 6.10 | 6.00 | 6.05 |
| 8 | South Korea | 45 | 51 | 96 | 354 | 171 | 525 | 7.87 | 3.35 | 5.47 |
| 9 | Thailand | 27 | 63 | 90 | 126 | 436 | 562 | 4.67 | 6.92 | 6.24 |
| 10 | France | 38 | 50 | 88 | 124 | 465 | 589 | 3.26 | 9.30 | 6.69 |
| Other countries (69) | | 130 | 143 | 277 | | | | | | |
| World | | 962 | 1530 | 2496 | 4952 | 8184 | 13136 | 5.15 | 5.35 | 5.26 |

* Citation data has been collected on a three-years citation window

Table 3. Share of papers & citations and relative citation index by top 10 most productive countries in Japanese Encephalitis, 2003-12

| S.No | Country | Share of Papers | | | Share of Citations | | | Relative Citation Index | | |
|-------|-------------|-----------------|---------|---------|--------------------|---------|---------|-------------------------|---------|---------|
| | | 2003-07 | 2008-12 | 2003-12 | 2003-07 | 2008-12 | 2003-12 | 2003-07 | 2008-12 | 2003-12 |
| 1 | USA | 21.73 | 20.78 | 21.11 | 41.22 | 39.82 | 40.35 | 1.90 | 1.92 | 1.91 |
| 2 | India | 14.86 | 17.12 | 16.23 | 8.89 | 13.80 | 11.94 | 0.60 | 0.81 | 0.74 |
| 3 | Japan | 14.24 | 15.03 | 14.70 | 17.29 | 11.50 | 13.68 | 1.21 | 0.77 | 0.93 |
| 4 | China | 4.47 | 12.16 | 9.17 | 2.46 | 7.95 | 5.88 | 0.55 | 0.65 | 0.64 |
| 5 | UK | 6.44 | 6.14 | 6.25 | 14.05 | 11.63 | 12.55 | 2.18 | 1.89 | 2.01 |
| 6 | Taiwan | 6.96 | 4.58 | 5.49 | 6.76 | 4.46 | 5.33 | 0.97 | 0.97 | 0.97 |
| 7 | Australia | 6.34 | 4.12 | 4.97 | 7.51 | 4.62 | 5.71 | 1.18 | 1.12 | 1.15 |
| 8 | South Korea | 4.68 | 3.33 | 3.85 | 7.15 | 2.09 | 4.00 | 1.53 | 0.63 | 1.04 |
| 9 | Thailand | 2.81 | 4.12 | 3.61 | 2.54 | 5.33 | 4.28 | 0.90 | 1.29 | 1.19 |
| 10 | France | 3.95 | 3.27 | 3.53 | 2.50 | 5.68 | 4.48 | 0.63 | 1.74 | 1.27 |
| World | | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 |

productive countries on Japanese encephalitis during 2003-12 was registered by Thailand, followed by UK (62.18%), France (50.0%), USA (44.02%), South Korea (36.46%), Australia (34.68%), China (25.76%), Japan (18.53%) and India (11.115). In terms of inter-country collaboration among the top 10 countries, the highest inter-country collaborative linkages are depicted by USA (200 linkages with all 10 countries), followed by UK (95 linkages with 8 countries), Thailand (68 linkages with 9 countries), France (66 linkages with 9 countries), China (61 linkages with 9 countries), etc. The highest number of inter-country collaborative linkages (37) was between USA and UK, followed by USA-Thailand (28 linkages), USA-China and USA-South Korea (25 linkages each), USA-Japan and USA-France (20 linkages each), USA-Australia (19 linkages), UK-France and USA-Taiwan (16 linkages each), UK-Australia (11 linkages), Japan-China and UK-Thailand (10 linkages each), etc.

4.4 Subject-Wise Distribution

The world's publication output in Japanese encephalitis research during 2003-12 has been published in the context of eight sub-fields (as reflected in Scopus database classification), with highest publication output coming from medicine (65.06% share), followed by immunology & microbiology (40.71%), biochemistry, genetics & molecular biology (18.55%), pharmacology, toxicology & pharmaceuticals (9.33%), veterinary science (9.13%), neurosciences (6.69%), agricultural & biological sciences (5.05%) and environment science (1.40%) during 2003-12. On analyzing the trends using activity index, it was found that research activity has increased in medicine (activity index from 90.11 to 106.48), biochemistry, genetics & molecular activity (activity index from 70.61 to 118.74), pharmacology, toxicology & pharmaceuticals (activity index from 79.06 to 113.43), neurosciences (activity index from 87 to 108.43), agricultural & biological sciences

(activity index from 90.6 to 106.17) and environment science (activity index from 59.31 to 125.85), as against decrease in veterinary science (activity index from 109.2 to 99.5) from 2003-07 to 2008-12. In terms of citation impact per paper, it was found that pharmacology, toxicology & pharmaceuticals had scored the highest citation impact (8.42), followed by immunology & microbiology (6.30), biochemistry, genetics & molecular biology (5.65), veterinary science and neurosciences (5.29), agricultural & biological sciences (4.75), medicine (4.40) and environment science (2.54) during 2003-12 (Table 4).

4.5 Subject Priorities in Top Most Productive Countries

Data was analyzed to identify the major focus of study in terms of sub-fields in top 10 most productive countries using activity index concept during 2003-12 (Table 5). It was found that different countries emphasized on different sub-fields and on more than one sub-field. Medicine has received more attention in Thailand (131.5), Japan (116.0) and UK (108.4), Immunology & Microbiology in China (167.4), Taiwan (152.4), Thailand (141.9), South Korea (133.1) and USA (120.3), Biochemistry, Genetics & Microbiology in China (195.4), Taiwan (153.5) and India (118.5). Pharmacology, toxicology and pharmaceuticals in USA (172.8) and France (158.25), Veterinary science in South Korea (193.9), Japan (164.06), Australia (158.9), France (136.84), Thailand (133.8) and China (119.5), Neurology in India (195.6) and Japan (195.48), Agricultural & biological sciences in Australia (319.5), France (157.58) and India (141.8) and Environment science in Australia (230.0) and India (176.1).

4.6 Profile of Top 20 Most Productive World Organizations

The world Japanese Encephalitis output was published from 419 organizations, of which the top 20 published 22 or more papers each and together contributed 28.61% share in

Table 4. Subject-Wise break-up of world publications in Japanese Encephalitis, 2002-12

| Subject | Number of Papers | | | Activity Index | |
|--|------------------|---------|---------|----------------|---------|
| | 2003-07 | 2008-12 | 2003-12 | 2003-07 | 2008-12 |
| Medicine | 564 | 1060 | 1624 | 90.11 | 106.48 |
| Immunology & Microbiology | 388 | 628 | 1016 | 99.08 | 100.84 |
| Biochemistry, Genetics & Molecular Biology | 126 | 337 | 463 | 70.61 | 118.74 |
| Pharmacology, Toxicology & Pharmaceutics | 71 | 162 | 233 | 79.06 | 113.43 |
| Veterinary Science | 96 | 132 | 228 | 109.2 | 94.448 |
| Neurosciences | 56 | 111 | 167 | 87 | 108.43 |
| Agricultural & Biological sciences | 44 | 82 | 126 | 90.6 | 106.17 |
| Environment Science | 8 | 27 | 35 | 59.31 | 125.85 |
| Total of World | 962 | 1530 | 2496 | 100 | 100 |

Table 5. Sub-fields of focus by different countries during 2003-12

| Country | Sub-discipline of research activity (in terms of Activity Index) |
|---|--|
| US | Pharm (172.8), Immu (120.3) |
| India | Neur (195.6), Envi (176.1), Agri (141.8), Bioc (118.5) |
| Japan | Neur (195.48), Vete (164.06), Medi (116.0) |
| China | Bioc (195.4), Immun (167.4), , Vete (119.5) |
| UK | Medi (108.4) |
| Taiwan | Bioc (153.5), Immun (152.4), |
| Australia | Agri (319.5), Envi (230.0), Vete (158.9) |
| South Korea | Vete (193.9), Immun (133.1) |
| Thailand | Immun (141.9), Vete (133.8), Medi (131.5) |
| France | Phar (158.25), Agri (157.58), Vete (136.84) |
| Medi=Medicine; Immu= Immunology & Microbiology; Neur= Neurosciences; Envi= Environment Science; Agri=Agricultural & Biological sciences; BIOC= Biochemistry, Genetics & Molecular Biology; Vete= Veterinary Science; and Phar= Pharmacology, Toxicology & Pharmaceutics | |

the cumulative world publications output during 2003-12. Eight organizations have registered higher publication productivity per organization than the group average (35.7). Nine organizations have registered higher citation impact per paper than the group average (6.43) during 2003-12. Eight organizations have achieved higher h-index value than the group's average (12.70) during

2003-12. Seven organizations have achieved higher international collaborative papers (ICP) share than the group's average (31.80%) during 2003-12. Nine organizations have achieved relative citation index above 1: Osaka University, Japan (3.73), University of Texas, Medical Branch, Galveston, USA (3.23), National Brain Research Center, India (2.06), Institute of

Biomedical Sciences, Academia Sinica, Taiwan (1.71), National Defense Medical Center, Taiwan (1.63), Armed Forces Research Institute of Medical Sciences, Thailand (1.58), Center for Disease Control & Prevention, USA (1.43), Kobe University, Japan (1.38) and University of Queensland, Brisbane, Australia (1.36). Among the organizations receiving relative citation index more than 1, 2 each were from USA and Taiwan, 1 each from Japan, Thailand, India, Australia and UK. (Table 6)

Table 6. Scientometric profile of top 20 world organizations in Japanese Encephalitis during 2003-12

| Sl. No | Name of Institute | TP | TC | ACPP | h-index | ICP | %ICP | RCI |
|--|--|-------|------|------|---------|-----|------|------|
| 1 | National Institute of Infectious Diseases, Tokyo, Japan | 73 | 310 | 4.25 | 17 | 14 | 19.2 | 0.81 |
| 2 | Center for Disease Control & Prevention, USA | 63 | 473 | 7.51 | 18 | 38 | 60.3 | 1.43 |
| 3 | Chinese Center for Disease Control & Prevention | 50 | 172 | 3.44 | 10 | 10 | 20 | 0.65 |
| 4 | Mahidol University, Thailand | 43 | 137 | 3.19 | 12 | 27 | 62.8 | 0.61 |
| 5 | National Institute of Virology, Pune, India | 43 | 138 | 3.21 | 12 | 2 | 4.65 | 0.61 |
| 6 | University of Queensland, Brisbane, Australia | 41 | 293 | 7.15 | 15 | 7 | 17.1 | 1.36 |
| 7 | Sanjay Gandhi Postgraduate Institute of Medical Sciences, Lucknow, India | 39 | 136 | 3.49 | 11 | 3 | 7.69 | 0.66 |
| 8 | Kobe University, Japan | 38 | 144 | 3.79 | 12 | 9 | 23.7 | 0.72 |
| 9 | University of Liverpool, UK | 35 | 254 | 7.26 | 14 | 28 | 80 | 1.38 |
| 10 | National Brain Research Center, Manesar, India | 33 | 358 | 10.8 | 16 | 12 | 36.4 | 2.06 |
| 11 | Nagasaki University, Japan | 31 | 114 | 3.68 | 9 | 14 | 45.2 | 0.7 |
| 12 | University of Texas, Medical Branch, Galveston, USA | 30 | 510 | 17 | 16 | 17 | 56.7 | 3.23 |
| 13 | National Defense Medical Center, Taiwan | 28 | 240 | 8.57 | 14 | 4 | 14.3 | 1.63 |
| 14 | National Institute of Immunology, New Delhi, India | 26 | 133 | 5.12 | 12 | 2 | 7.69 | 0.97 |
| 15 | Institute of Biomedical Sciences, Academia Sinica, Taiwan | 25 | 225 | 9 | 14 | 2 | 8 | 1.71 |
| 16 | Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore, India | 24 | 101 | 4.21 | 12 | 3 | 12.5 | 0.8 |
| 17 | Armed Forces Research Institute of Medical Sciences, Thailand | 24 | 199 | 8.29 | 11 | 22 | 91.7 | 1.58 |
| 18 | National Chung Hsing University, Taiwan | 23 | 100 | 4.35 | 10 | 6 | 26.1 | 0.83 |
| 19 | Osaka University, Japan | 23 | 451 | 19.6 | 11 | 7 | 30.4 | 3.73 |
| 20 | Chang Gung University, Taiwan | 22 | 101 | 4.59 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 0.87 |
| Total of 20 organizations | | 714 | 4589 | 6.43 | 12.7 | 227 | 31.8 | 1.32 |
| Total of the world | | 2496 | | | | | | |
| Share of top 20 organizations in global output | | 28.61 | | | | | | |
| Average productivity per organization | | 35.7 | | | | | | |

TP=Total Papers; TC=Total Citations; ACPP=Average Citation Per Paper; ICP=International Collaborative Papers; RCI=Relative Citation Index

4.7 Profile of Top 20 Most Productive Authors in Japanese Encephalitis

The top 20 productive authors involved in Japanese encephalitis research have published 15 or more papers each and together contributed 21.67% (541 papers) in the cumulative world publications output during 2003-12. Eight authors have registered higher publication productivity per author than the group average of 27.05 Seven authors have registered higher citation impact per paper than the group average (5.89) during 2003-12. Eight authors have registered h-index more than the average h-

index (6.87) of all authors during 2003-12. Seven authors have achieved higher international collaborative papers (ICP) share than the group's average (22.18%) during 2003-12. Ten authors have achieved value of relative citation index more than 1: C.L. Liao (2.36), F. Guirakhoo (2.13), A. Basu (2.03), J.S.Mackenzie (1.81), Tom Solomon (1.80), S. Yoksan (1.52), A.F. Van Den Hurk (1.33), S.A. Ritchie (1.10), C.W. Lin (1.08) and I. Kurane (1.05). Three Australian authors have achieved relative citation index more than 1, followed by 2 authors from Taiwan, 1 author each from UK, Japan, India, Thailand and USA (Table 7).

Table 7. Scientometric profile of 20 most productive authors in Japanese Encephalitis research, 2003-12

| S.No | Name | Affiliation | TP | TC | ACPP | h-index | ICP | % ICP | RCI |
|------|-------------|--|----|-----|--------|---------|-----|-------|------|
| 1 | G.D. Liang | Chinese Center for Disease Control & Prevention | 51 | 188 | 3.6863 | 11 | 8 | 15.69 | 0.7 |
| 2 | Tom Solomon | University of Liverpool, Walton Center for Neurology & Neurosciences, UK | 40 | 378 | 9.45 | 18 | 31 | 77.5 | 1.8 |
| 3 | H.Y. Wang | Chinese Center for Disease Control & Prevention | 39 | 133 | 3.4103 | 10 | 5 | 12.82 | 0.65 |
| 4 | S.H. Fu | Chinese Center for Disease Control & Prevention | 39 | 121 | 3.1026 | 10 | 5 | 12.82 | 0.59 |
| 5 | I. Kurane | National Institute of Infectious Diseases, Tokyo, Japan | 35 | 194 | 5.5429 | 15 | 9 | 25.71 | 1.05 |
| 6 | E. Konishi | Kobe University, School of Medicine, Japan | 35 | 141 | 4.0286 | 12 | 9 | 25.71 | 0.77 |
| 7 | A. Basu | National Brain Research Center, Manesar, India | 34 | 364 | 10.706 | 16 | 2 | 5.882 | 2.03 |
| 8 | T. Takaraki | National Institute of Infectious Diseases, Tokyo, Japan | 33 | 140 | 4.2424 | 13 | 2 | 6.061 | 0.81 |
| 9 | U.K.Misra | Sanjay Gandhi Postgraduate Institute of Medical Sciences, Lucknow, India | 26 | 112 | 4.3077 | 8 | 3 | 11.54 | 0.82 |

| S.No | Name | Affiliation | TP | TC | ACPP | h-index | ICP | % ICP | RCI |
|--|-------------------|--|--------|------|--------|---------|-----|-------|------|
| 10 | J.Kalita | Sanjay Gandhi Postgraduate Institute of Medical Sciences, Lucknow, India | 25 | 109 | 4.36 | 8 | 3 | 12 | 0.83 |
| 11 | S. Vрати | National Institute of Immunology, New Delhi, India | 23 | 109 | 4.7391 | 12 | 1 | 4.348 | 0.9 |
| 12 | JS. Mackenzie | Curtin University of Technology, Perth, Australia | 22 | 210 | 9.5455 | 14 | 3 | 13.64 | 1.81 |
| 13 | A.F. Van Den Hurk | University of Queensland, Brisbane, Australia | 20 | 140 | 7 | 10 | 1 | 5 | 1.33 |
| 14 | K. Morita | Nagasaki University, Japan | 19 | 70 | 3.6842 | 8 | 12 | 63.16 | 0.7 |
| 15 | C.L. Liao | National Defense Medical Center, Taiwan | 17 | 211 | 12.412 | 13 | 4 | 23.53 | 2.36 |
| 16 | S.A. Ritchie | Queensland Health, Australia | 18 | 104 | 5.7778 | 10 | 2 | 11.11 | 1.1 |
| 17 | S. Yoksan | Mahidol University, Thailand | 17 | 136 | 8 | 10 | 12 | 70.59 | 1.52 |
| 18 | C.W. Lin | National Hsing-Hua University, Taiwan | 17 | 97 | 5.7059 | 10 | 1 | 5.882 | 1.08 |
| 19 | W.J. Chen | Chang Gung University, Taiwan | 16 | 60 | 3.75 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 0.71 |
| 20 | F. Guirakhoo | Acambis Inc, Cambridge, MA., USA | 15 | 168 | 11.2 | 9 | 7 | 46.67 | 2.13 |
| Total of 20 authors | | | 541 | 3185 | 5.8872 | 11.25 | 120 | 22.18 | 1.12 |
| Total of the world | | | 2496 | | | | | | |
| Share of top 20 authors in global output | | | 21.67% | | | | | | |

*Average productivity per author=27.05

TP=Total Papers; TC=Total Citations; ACPP=Average Citation Per Paper; ICP=International Collaborative Papers; RCI=Relative Citation Index

4.8 High Cited Papers

Of the 45 high cited papers (receiving citations since their publications till 18 August 2014) , 33 papers received citations from 100 to 194, 5 papers from 208 to 291 citations, 1 paper 369 citations, 3 papers from 418 to 498 citations, and 3 other papers from 553 to 1368 citations. Nineteen countries contributed to these high cited papers. United States contributed 26 high cited

papers, followed by UK (7), Japan and France (4 each), India, Australia and Switzerland (3 each), South Korea, Thailand and Canada (2 each) and Argentina, Israel, Austria, Hungary, Czech Republic, Taiwan, Germany, Singapore and South Africa (1 each). Of the 45 high cited papers, 19 involve international collaboration, 25 national collaboration and 13 zero collaboration. Of the 45 high cited papers, 24 were reviews, 21 articles and 1 short

survey. These 45 high cited papers are published in 36 international journals, including 5 papers in *Nature*, 2 paper each in *Nature Review of Microbiology*, *Neurology*, *Antiviral Research*, *Journal of Virology* and *Emerging Infectious Diseases*, and 1 paper each in 30 other journals. A list of top 10 high cited papers are listed in Table 8.

5. Summary & Conclusion

The global output (2496 papers) on Japanese encephalitis during 2003-12, increased annually from 213 to 377 from 2003 to 2012, with an annual average growth rate of 7.41%. These publications registered a citation impact per paper of 5.26 during 2003-12,

Table 8. List of Top 10 High Cited Papers

| S.No | Name of Authors | Title of the Paper | Source | No. of Citations |
|------|--|---|--|------------------|
| 1 | Kato, H., et al | Differential roles of MDA5 and RIG-I helicases in the recognition of RNA viruses (Article). | Nature, 2006, 441 (1), pp. 101-105 | 1368 |
| 2 | Whitehead, K.A., Langer, R., Anderson, D.G | Knocking down barriers: Advances in siRNA delivery (Review) | Nature Reviews Drug Discovery, 2009, 8 (2), pp. 129-138 | 855 |
| 3 | Mackenzie, J.S., Gubler, D.J., Petersen, L.R. | Emerging flaviviruses: The spread and resurgence of Japanese encephalitis, West Nile and dengue viruses (Review). | Nature Medicine, 2004, 10(12 SUPPL.), pp. S98-S109 | 553 |
| 4 | Morens, D.M., Folkers, G.K., Fauci, A.S. | The challenge of emerging and re-emerging infectious diseases (Review). | Nature, 2004, 430 (6996), pp. 242-249 | 498 |
| 5 | Kumar, P., et al. | Transvascular delivery of small interfering RNA to the central nervous system (Article). | Nature, 2007, 448 (7149), pp. 39-43. | 496 |
| 6 | Mukhopadhyay, S., Kuhn, R.J., Rossmann, M.G | A structural perspective of the Flavivirus life cycle (Review). | Nature Reviews Microbiology, 2005, 3 (1), pp. 13-22. | 369 |
| 7 | Tenembaum, S., Chitnis, T., Ness, J., Hahn, J.S. | Acute disseminated encephalomyelitis (Review). | Neurology, 2007, 68 (16 SUPPL. 2), pp. S23-S36.. | 291 |
| 8 | Krishnan, M.N., et al. | RNA interference screen for human genes associated with West Nile virus infection (Article). | Nature, 2008, 455 (7210), pp. 242-245 | 244 |
| 9 | Weaver, S.C., Reisen, W.K | Present and future arboviral threats (Review) | Antiviral Research, 2010, 85 (2), pp. 328-345 | 251 |
| 10 | Plotkin, S.A. | Correlates of vaccine-induced immunity (Review). | Clinical Infectious Diseases, 2008, 47 (3), pp. 401-409. | 243 |

increasing from 5.15 to 5.34 from 2003-07 to 2008-12. Japanese Encephalitis research output originated in 79 countries, of which the top 10 contributed 88.90% share of the total global output. United States alone produced more than one fifth of the output, followed by India, China and Japan, etc. Six out of 10 most productive countries have achieved relative citation rates above 1, namely UK (2.01), USA (1.91), France (1.27), Thailand (1.19), Australia (1.15) and South Korea (1.04). The highest share (63.33%) of international collaborative papers among ten most productive countries was registered by Thailand, followed by UK (62.18%), France (50.0%), USA (44.02%), South Korea (36.46%), Australia (34.68%), China (25.76%), Japan (18.53%) and India (11.115). Among them, the highest inter-country collaborative linkages has been achieved by USA, followed by UK, Thailand, France, China, etc.

The highest share (65.06%) of publication output in Japanese Encephalitis came from medicine, followed by immunology & microbiology (40.71%), biochemistry, genetics & molecular biology (18.55%), pharmacology, toxicology & pharmaceuticals (9.33%), etc during 2003-12. Medicine received more attention in Thailand, Japan and UK; immunology & microbiology in China, Taiwan, Thailand, South Korea and USA; biochemistry, genetics & microbiology in China, Taiwan and India; pharmacology, toxicology and pharmaceuticals in USA and France; veterinary science in South Korea, Japan, Australia, France, Thailand and China; neurology in India and Japan; agricultural & biological sciences in Australia, France and India (141.8); and environment science in Australia and India.

The total research output on Japanese Encephalitis came from 419 organizations and several authors, of which the top 20 contributed 28.61% and 21.67% share each of total papers during 2003-12. The average

citation impact, relative citation index, h-index and share of international collaborative papers registered by these 20 most productive organizations was 6.43, 1.36, 12.70 and 31.80% during 2003-12. Nine (2 each from USA and Taiwan, 1 each from Japan, Thailand, India, Australia and UK) out of 20 most productive organizations have registered relative citation index above 1. Ten authors (3 from Australia, 2 from Taiwan and 1 each from UK, Japan, India, Thailand and USA) have achieved relative citation index more than 1.

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