Endocrine nursing, social media and research: results of an international study

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Introduction

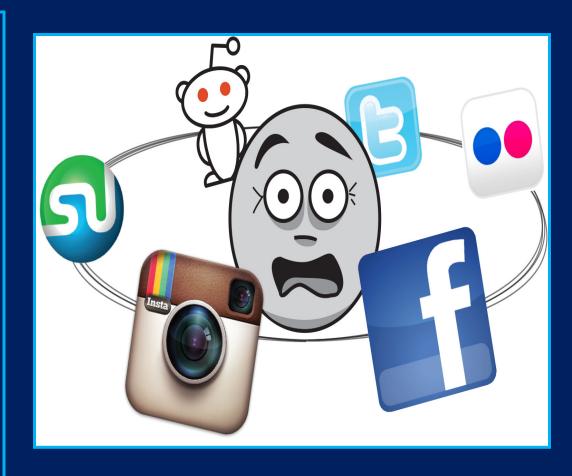
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- What is social media for?
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 - Methodology
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 - Conclusion
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Introduction to the study

- Interest in exploring
 - What journals Nurses read
 - How we engage with research
 - Do we use social media
 - Is there another platform to share research?

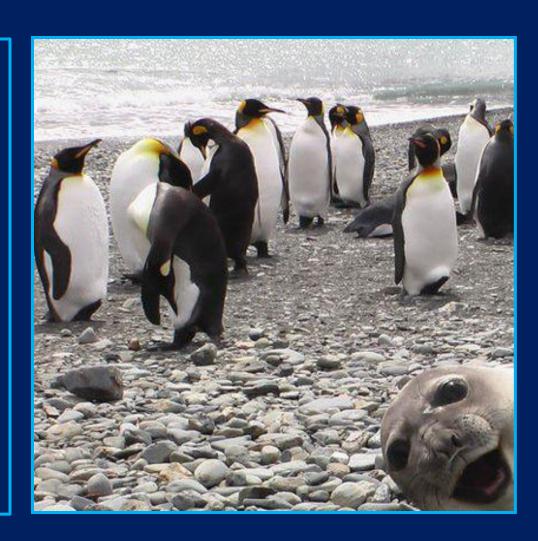
How do we find out about things?

- Word of mouth
- Library
- Letters
- Internet
- Email
- Social media
 - Facebook
 - Twitter
 - Instagram



What is social media for

- Keeping in touch with friends and family
- Posting interesting and witty comments and videos
- Daft pictures
- News
- Sport
- Recipes
- Ice Bucket challenge



How about professionally?

- Support groups
- Charities
- Professional societies
- Journals
 - Facebook
 - Twitter
 - Blogs
 - LinkedIn

Professional uses



Nursing Times

Macmillan Cancer

Cancer research UK

BSPED

Pituitary Foundation

AMEND

Thyroid UK

ESE

RCN

Endocrine Today

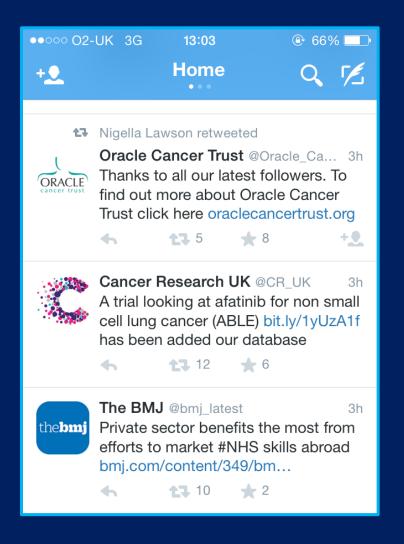
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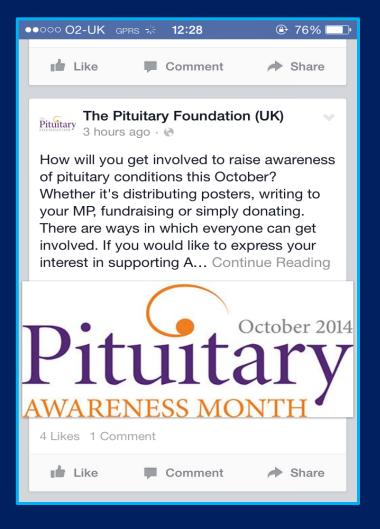
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Society of Endocrinology



Professional uses





Research in Nursing

- Important aspect of the Clinical Nurse Specialist role
- Multifaceted
- What types of research?
 - What are we doing ourselves?
 - What are we involved in?
 - What do we want to do?
- Clinical research
- Nurse led research

Clinical Nurse Specialist Roles

Research

- Identify gaps in your service which could use research / audit to prove shortfalls
 - Or even *positive* aspects
- Patient questionnaires
 - Satisfaction in patient pathways

Collaborator

- Enhance collaboration within the MDT and interdisciplinary
 - Ensure common purpose
- Build and develop relationships with outside personnel

Leadership / Management

- Lead in developing and attaining team goals
 - Contribute to practice development
 - Develop patient care pathways
 - Patient literature

Change Agent

- Provide evidence where CNS intervention could be useful
 - Nurse led clinics
 - Telephone clinics
- Suggest, develop and implement business plans

Clinical Nurse Specialist Roles

Clinical Expert

- How can your knowledge and skills within endocrinology be enhanced
 - Further training / development

Education

- Sub role as Educator
 - Patients, families, staff
- Evaluate and develop educational programmes
- Build teaching packages for patient education
 - Eg IM HC, GH devices, puberty

Consultant

- Leading on case management
- Becoming more involved in external forums
 - Advisory boards, society committees

Patient advocate

- Identify patient support groups not already utilised by your team
 - Develop and strengthen links
 - Develop own patient literature

Research in Nursing

- Do we do enough research?
- Should we be doing more?
- If not, why?
- If so, how?
 - Where?
 - What type?
 - What are people interested in?

Survey - background

- Wanted to explore if endocrine nurses use social media or journals
 - Disseminating research
 - Professional development
- Need to bridge the theory practice gap
- Is another platform needed?
 - Is social media good enough?

Methodology

- Survey of 24 questions designed on survey monkey
- Distributed by email to
 - UK Nurse members of the British Society of Paediatric Endocrinology and Society of Endocrinology
 - Key representatives from endocrine nursing groups in Australia, USA and throughout Europe
 - Share the survey link within professional networks

Methodology

- Flyers with a link to the survey:
 - Society of Endocrinology Nurse Update
 - Stratford upon Avon, UK (September 2013)
 - European Society of Paediatric Endocrinology Nurses
 Session
 - Milan, Italy (September 2013)
 - British Society of Paediatric Endocrinology Nurses Meeting
 - Brighton, UK (November 2013)
 - European Congress of Endocrinology Nurses Session
 - Wroclaw, Poland (May 2014)
 - Joint International Congress of Endocrinology / American Endocrine Society Nurses Symposium
 - Chicago, USA (June 2014)

Survey closed end of July 2014

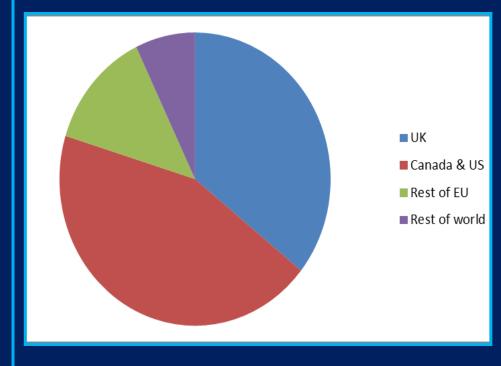
Questions

- Use of social networking sites
 - Professional use?
- Involvement in writing professional material
 - Barriers
- Types of journals read
- What do you read in the journals
 - Sharing information
 - What is the most useful?
 - A new journal needed?

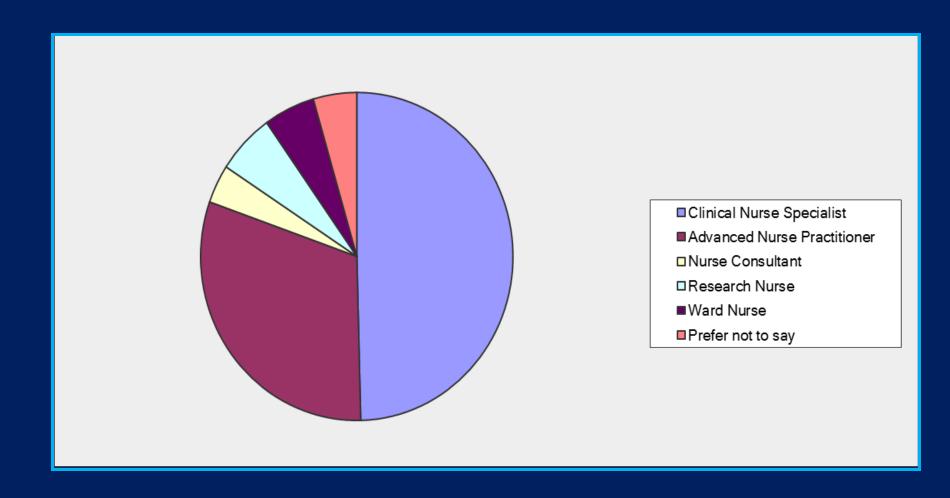
Results

- 181 respondents worldwide in total
 - USA & Canada 74
 - UK 60
 - − Rest of EU − 22
 - Belgium
 - Germany
 - France
 - Ireland
 - Netherlands
 - Sweden
 - Rest of world 12
 - Australia
 - New Zealand
 - Switzerland

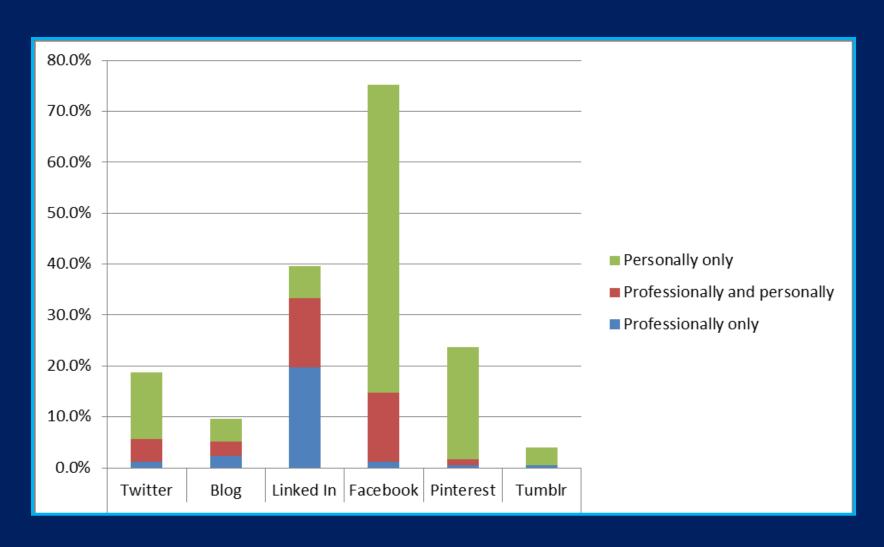
13 did not answer



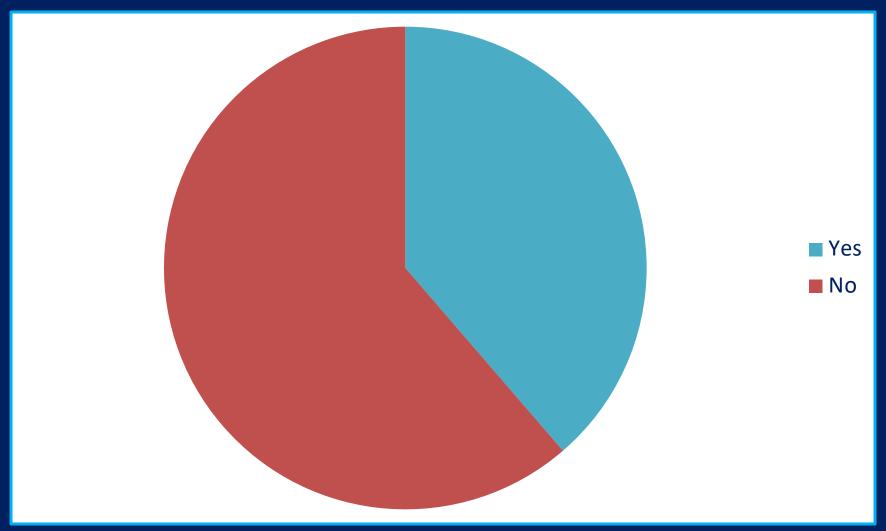
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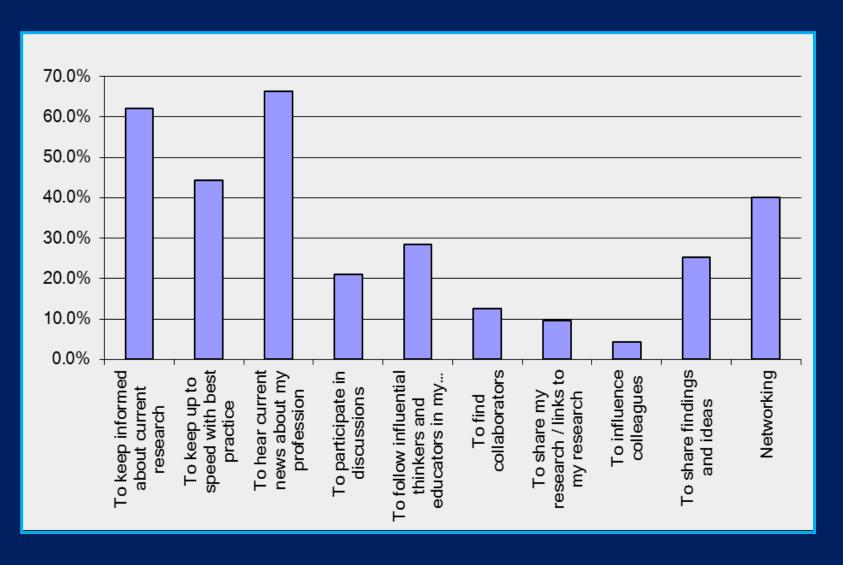
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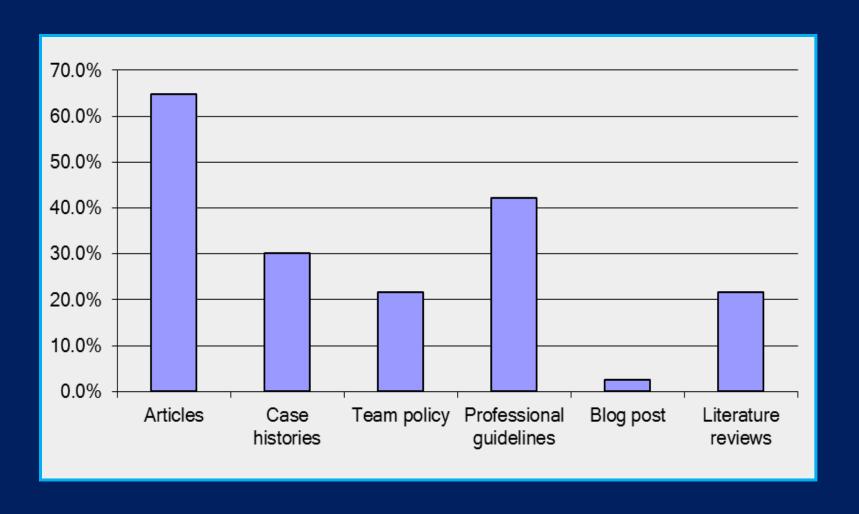
Do you follow any professional organisations or journals on social media



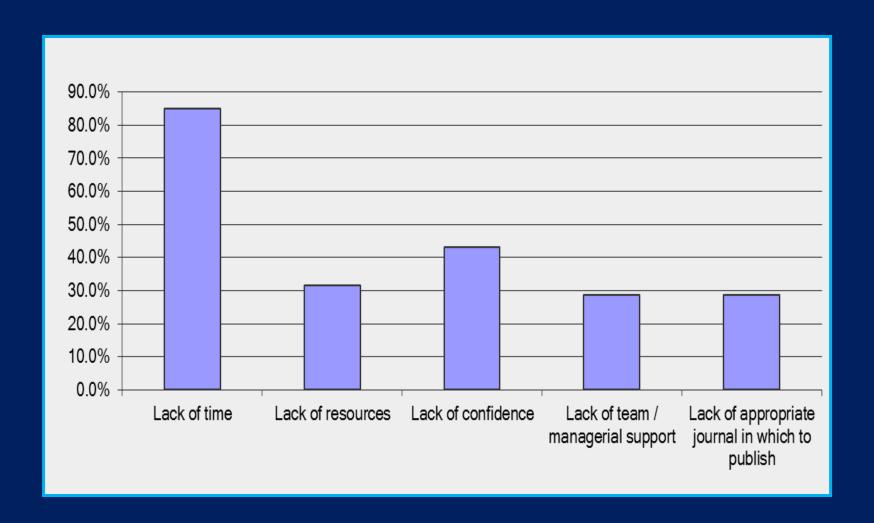
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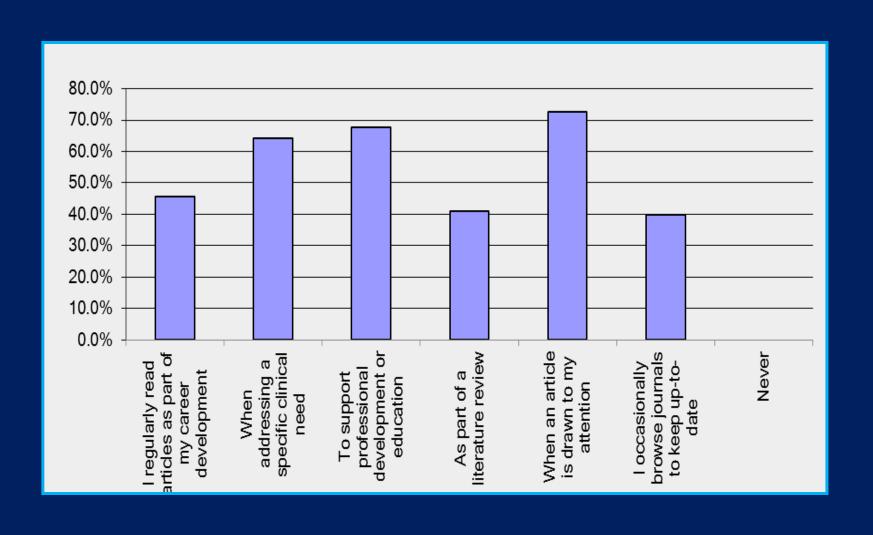
Writing professional material



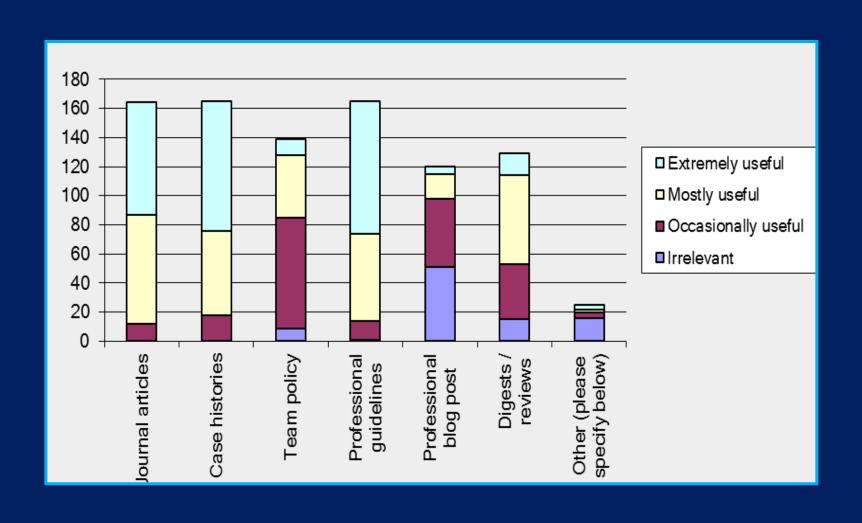
Barriers to creating content



Why read journal articles



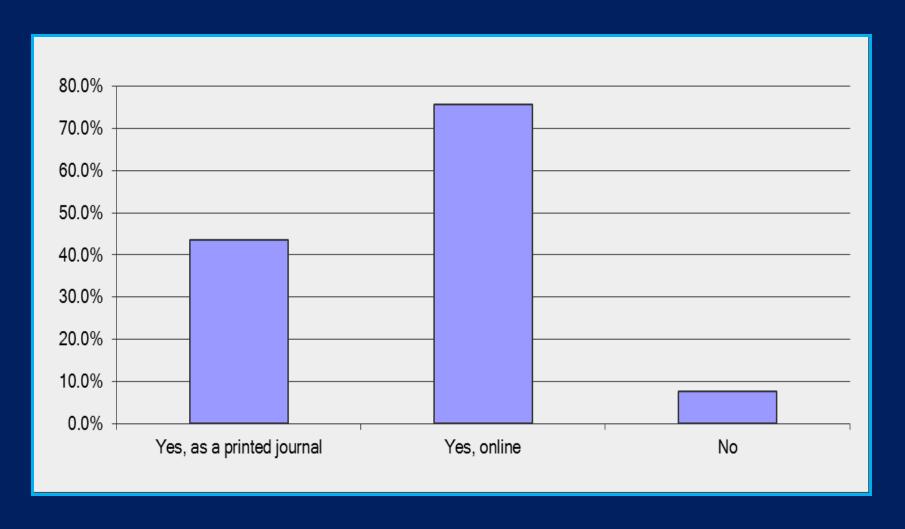
What is most useful



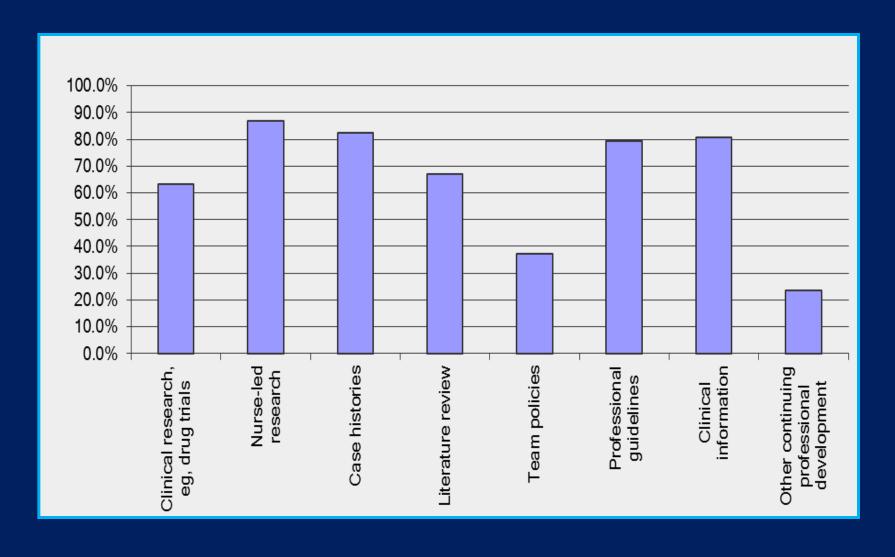
Is Research part of your role?



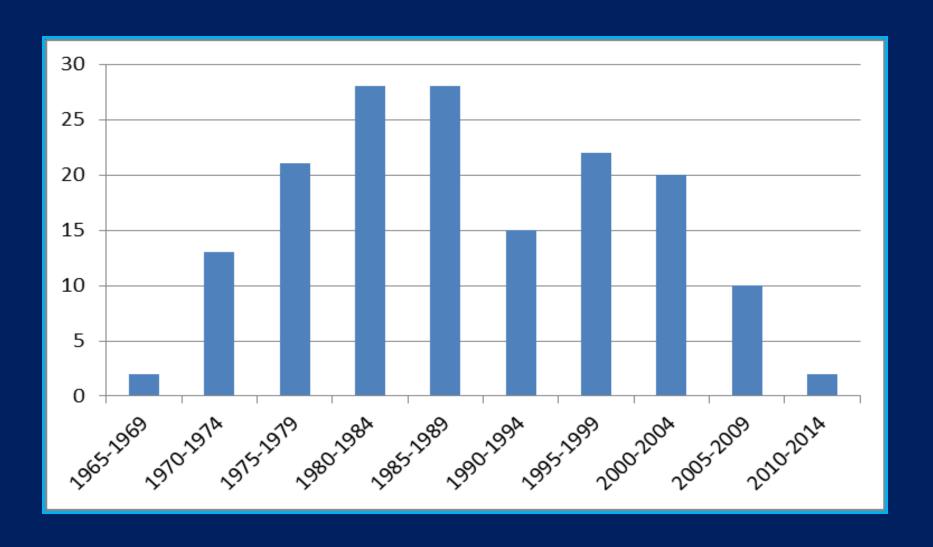
Would you like a new Endocrine Nursing Journal?



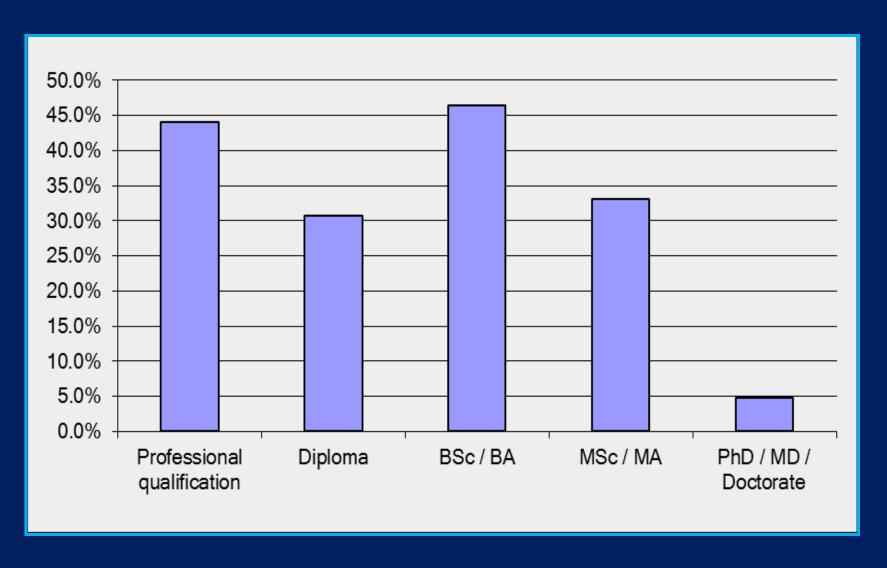
What would you like in it?

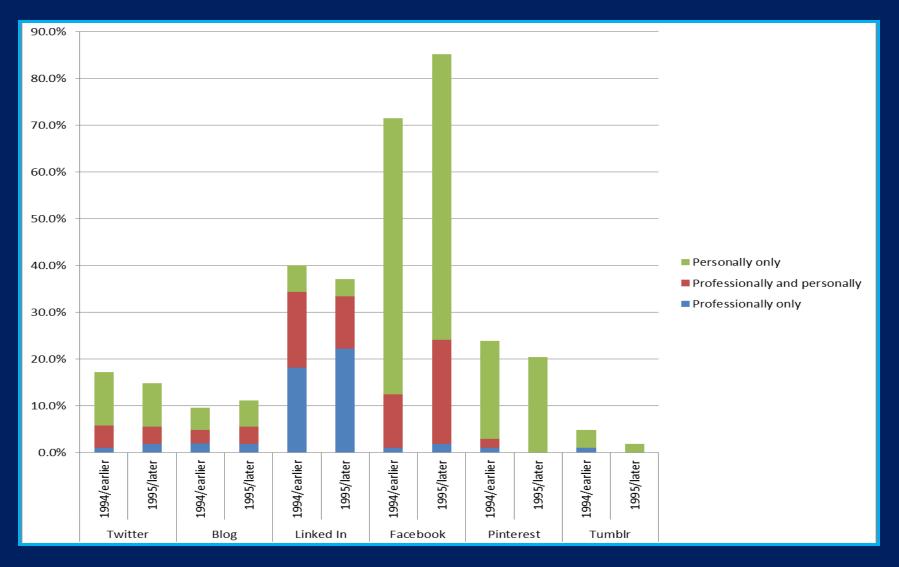


Year qualified as a nurse

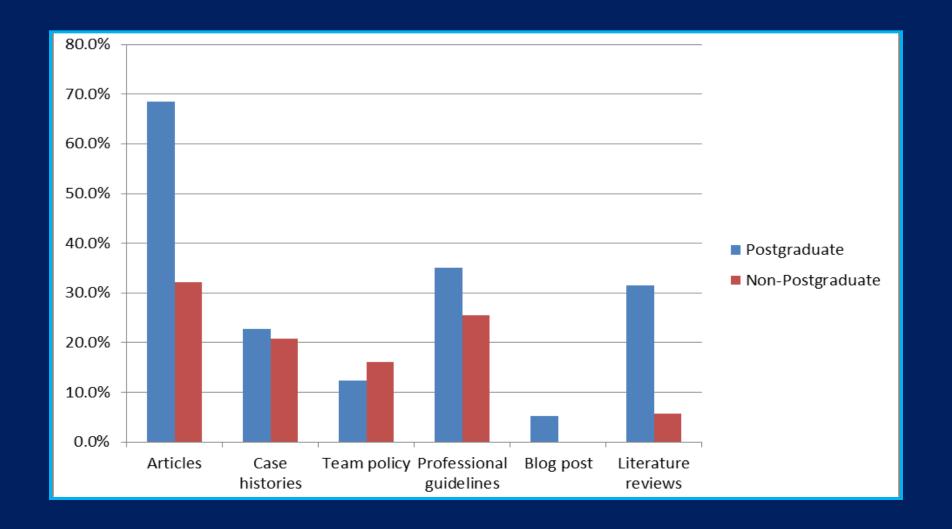


Qualifications





People who qualify after 1995 are more likely to use Facebook AND twice as likely to use it professionally



Post-graduates create more articles, professional guidelines and literature reviews

Discussion

- Further research?
- Raw data
- More to be analysed with data
 - Further correlations
 - Qualifications
 - Country by country
 - Receiving recommendations
 - Making recommendations
 - Types of journals like to read

A new journal?

Business plan is now in progress with Bioscientifica

International Journal of Endocrine Nursing

- How often
- Paper / online
- Editorial board
- Money

Research platforms for Endocrine Nurses

- International Journal of Endocrine Nursing
- LinkedIn
- Twitter
- Facebook
- Society newsletters
- Society emails

Conclusion

- Detailed survey
 - Demographics of endocrine nurses world wide
- Research
 - Important aspect of the CNS role
 - Keen interest internationally
- Gap identified
 - Platform for disseminating research

Social media v Endocrine Journal?

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