



SRHM | SEXUAL AND
REPRODUCTIVE
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MATTERS

MORE THAN A JOURNAL

ANNUAL REPORT 2019

2019 AT A GLANCE

KNOWLEDGE

In 2019, the journal grew from strength to strength, with its impact factor rising to 2.119 for the year 2018, from 1.421 for 2017. We published 69 articles in three issues, an increase of over 40% compared to the previous year. We have almost halved the time from article submission to first decision, from 85 to 47 days. Journal downloads increased by 65% compared to 2018.

CAPACITY

Our journal continued to work closely with authors, encouraging and assisting those with valuable but less often published perspectives, to prepare their papers for publication. The increased number of associate editors participated in our mentorship activities, contributing to a stronger and more diverse cadre of researchers, program and policy makers, service delivery providers and advocates who publish, disseminate and use their rights- and evidence-based knowledge.

INFLUENCE

We featured a strong presence at international events in 2019, including Women Deliver and the ICPD25 Summit in Nairobi where we held a pre-Summit forum on SRHR and disability. We continued in our advocacy efforts, contributed to three Calls to Action and increased our media presence by publishing press releases. We successfully started to hold webinars, with global discussions based on key papers published in the journal, to explore new, controversial and neglected issues in SRHR.

GLOBAL REACH

We initiated the establishment of an SRHM South Asia Regional Hub and regional journal edition and explored a future regional hub in Francophone Africa. We published six issues in translation in collaboration with our regional partners.

STRENGTHENED ORGANISATIONAL CAPACITY

Our international team grew by two new trustees, four new associate editors and an operations manager. We maintained a stable foundation and management of financial resources that enabled SRHM to continue the core operations arising from the 2018-2022 strategic framework, and sustain and develop funder relations.

MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF-EXECUTIVE, EDITOR-IN-CHIEF AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The year 2019 marked the 25th anniversary of the International Conference on Population and Development (ICPD). Our special collection of papers, produced in collaboration with UNFPA for the event, shows how the past 25 years witnessed dramatic changes related to sexual and reproductive health and rights (SRHR). Advances with significant impacts on national law and policymaking, programme development and service delivery have been made. However, insufficiencies in scale-up of investments, effective accountability, in-depth implementation, meaningful participation and community engagement have also been revealed. The ICPD25 Nairobi Summit in November provided an important opportunity for the international community to make commitments for the acceleration of accountability for SRHR and we were proud to play our part in this event.

The year provided opportunities to put forward the work of SRHM to enhance ICPD initiated goals in the context of current political and public health agendas.

Our first themed issue of 2019 on “The impact of politics on sexual and reproductive health” brought attention to globally widespread populist politics, accompanied by regressive SRHR policies with detrimental impact on the enjoyment of SRHR. The themed issue demonstrated a need for robust rights and evidence-based knowledge, policies and strategies that provide sound alternatives for action. Our second themed issue beamed a spotlight on the extent of stigma and discrimination that exists in health care. It featured innovative research, analyses and evidence on what drives stigma and discriminatory attitudes and behaviour, in order to inform pathways towards their elimination.

Other emerging topics came to the fore this year. We joined up with the Partnership for Maternal, Newborn and Child Health (PMNCH) and the World Health Organization to build a platform for dialogue, knowledge and action on rights-based perspectives on sexual and reproductive health, within the context of a growing emphasis on achieving Universal Health Coverage. The collaboration will culminate in the production of a themed issue in 2020. In response to global movements for abolishing gestational surrogacy we pursued the development of a comprehensive frame for sexual and reproductive justice on the topic. Sexual health also came high on the agenda. Our top blog in 2019 was on sexual pleasure, and we published several highly accessed articles on sexual pleasure and sexual health in our “Open” issue for 2019, also contributing to a congress held by the World Association for Sexual Health.

The announcement of the SRHM journal impact factor of 2.119 (for 2018) was very welcome. In 2019, we received record numbers of submissions for the journal, increasing by nearly 30% from 2018, while also publishing 40% more articles. Our article downloads rose by 65% between 2018 and 2019 with a greater proportion from outside Europe and the US, especially from the South Asia region.

This year we successfully launched our initiative on regional collaborations. We were delighted to receive a grant for 2019–2021, from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, India to develop our regional knowledge hub initiative. We formed a new collaboration with Ecole Nationale de Santé Publique (ENSP) and Association Ensemble pour la Santé de la Reproduction (ESR) in Morocco to build up our francophone Africa regional hub and enhance the French language translation of journal papers. We remained committed to our language translations and published six translated journal issues in Arabic (two issues), Chinese, French, Spanish and Russian.

We are now firmly established in our evolution as an organisation and a journal, from being known as Reproductive Health Matters to SRHM, or Sexual and Reproductive Health Matters. New trustees, editorial board members and associate editors have bolstered our global reach and representation. We have a strengthened organisational structure to carry out our work effectively. The advent of the coronavirus pandemic eclipsed other events towards the end of 2019 and has started to shape 2020. It has made us even more resolute in our mission - to develop, share and use knowledge and evidence for the advancement of SRHR. Delays in the provision of emergency sexual and reproductive health services, increasing sexual and gender-based violence and rising stigmatisation and inequalities are growing and documented. We are committed to convey evidence, dialogue and action to bring to light the distressing effects of COVID 19 and the politics around it, on people's SRHR.

We would like to thank the Open Society Foundations, the Dutch Ministry of Foreign Affairs via the Women's Refugee Commission, and the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, India for their support and encouragement in keeping the spirit and principles of SRHR alive and central in a world of multiple concerns.

Eszter Kismődi, Chief Executive

Julia Hussein, Editor-in-Chief

Jane Cottingham, Chair of the Board of Trustees

ABOUT SRHM

Sexual and Reproductive Health Matters (SRHM) is an organisation promoting sexual and reproductive health and rights (SRHR) globally through its journal and “more than a journal” platform.

At the heart of SRHM is an **INTERNATIONAL JOURNAL** with global relevance – the Sexual and Reproductive Health Matters journal. It is a multidisciplinary, open access, peer-reviewed, international journal that explores emerging, strategic, as well as neglected and marginalised issues across the field of SRHR.

SRHM is also **MORE THAN A JOURNAL**. As an SRHR platform, it creates and participates in spaces that motivate improvements in research, policy, services and practice; it contributes to capacity building in knowledge generation and inspires new rights-based thinking and action in the field of SRHR through strategic approaches, and through multi-disciplinary global and local partnerships.

The core focus of SRHM is the dissemination of rights- and evidence-based information reflecting scientific and research excellence and ensuring a platform for policy debate on the complex politics of SRHR. The SRHM journal is at the heart of SRHM's work and has provided a foundation upon which other activities have been built.

VISION

A world in which sexual and reproductive health and rights are recognized as fundamental human rights and matters of social justice; in which sexual and reproductive health needs are addressed, and rights of people are fully respected, protected and fulfilled without discrimination of any kind.

MISSION

To inspire, create, disseminate and advance rights- and evidence-based knowledge, build capacity, and engage in collaborative action for advocacy, policy and service delivery globally, regionally and locally on SRHR.

SRHM is building a stronger and more sustainable organisation that manifests its commitment to evidence-informed, global, collaborative and human rights values in all its operations.

STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES

KNOWLEDGE

SRHM creates and pursues innovative approaches for rights- and evidence-based knowledge generation and sharing, that inform SRH service delivery, policy and advocacy.

INFLUENCE

SRHM ensures that strategic dialogue and action generate greater political awareness and progressive changes in SRHR laws, policies, programmes, services and advocacy informed by evidence, human rights and social justice.

CAPACITY

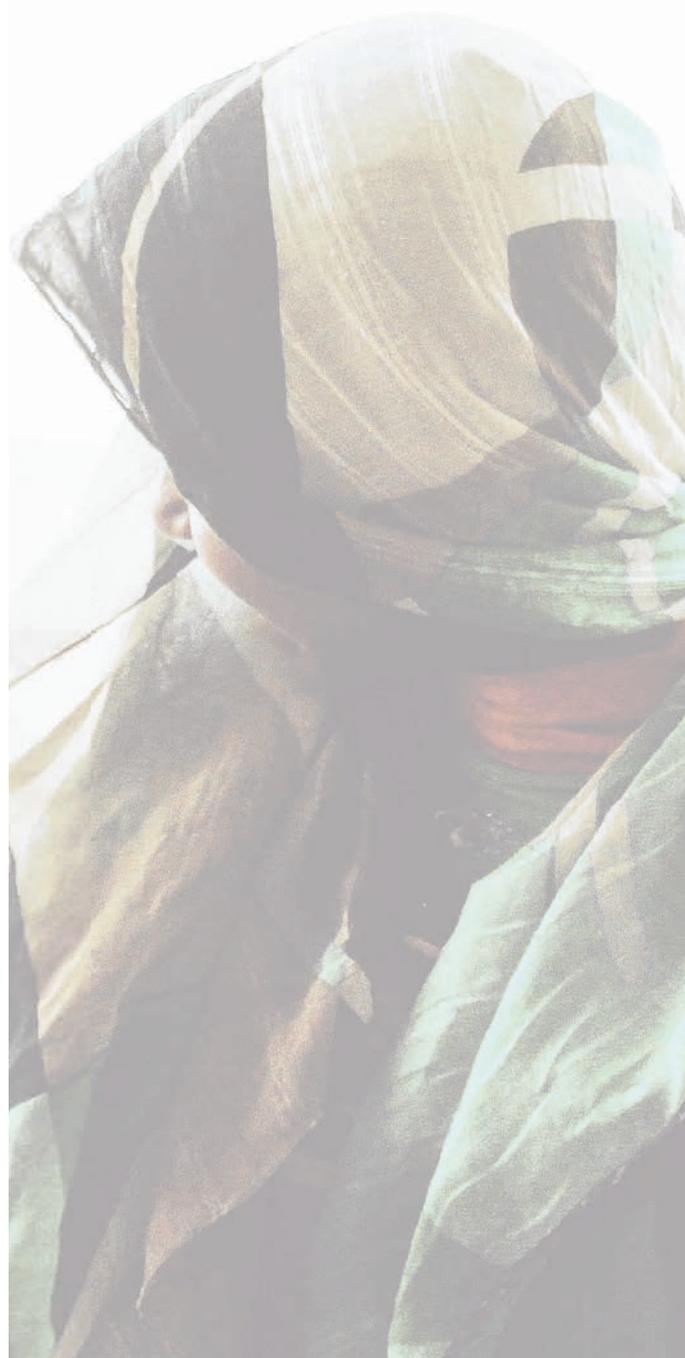
SRHM contributes to a stronger and more diverse cadre of researchers, programme and policy makers, service delivery providers and advocates who publish, disseminate and use their rights- and evidence-based knowledge.

GLOBAL REACH

SRHM builds regional, national, and community ownership in knowledge generation linked to capacity-building, influence and advocacy, ensuring diverse voices are represented and amplified.

SUSTAIN AND STRENGTHEN ORGANISATIONAL AND FINANCIAL CAPACITY

SRHM strives to be an organisation with strong institutional and financial sustainability in order to maintain its core mission, vision and values.



KNOWLEDGE



OPEN ISSUE 2019

The open issue went from strength to strength, with 42 articles published on the topics of abortion, sex work, HIV, violence, family planning, sexual pleasure, infanticide, FGM, maternal health and more in the SRHR field.



THE IMPACT OF POLITICS ON SRHR

Our first themed issue of the year contains 15 papers. Taken together, the articles paint a compelling picture of how governments, political leaders, activists, non-governmental organisations (NGOs), lawyers, and others are all engaging in the politics of SRHR, with profound impacts, both positive and negative, on the everyday lived realities of people around the world.



THE ELIMINATION OF STIGMA AND DISCRIMINATION IN SEXUAL AND REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH CARE

Our second themed issue for the year contains 12 papers. The articles originate from various settings from across the world and represent a diversity of perspectives including secondary school students in Kenya, formerly trafficked women in Nepal, refugees and displaced youth in Uganda, people using post-exposure prophylaxis for HIV in Brazil, and abortion providers across three continents.



ICPD25: ACCELERATING ACCOUNTABILITY FOR SRHR

This year marked the 25th anniversary of the International Conference on Population and Development (ICPD). To mark the anniversary, SRHM, in collaboration with UNFPA, produced a collection of ten articles which was released at the summit, along with a series of videos related to the papers. The collection of papers was guest edited by Gita Sen and Anneka Knutsson, with Eszter Kismódi.

OUR JOURNAL

The journal's 2018 Impact Factor is 2.119, ranking 52/164 in the Public, Environmental & Occupational Health JCR category.

The SRHM journal received 747,433 article downloads in 2019, a 65% increase since 2018.

The top cited article was *Moving beyond disrespect and abuse: addressing the structural dimensions of obstetric violence* by Michelle Sadler, with 20 citations.

The most downloaded article published in 2019 was *Sexual health, sexual rights and sexual pleasure: meaningfully engaging the perfect triangle* by Sofia Gruskin, Vithika Yadav, Antón Castellanos-Usigli, Gvantsa Khizanishvili, and Eszter Kismódi.

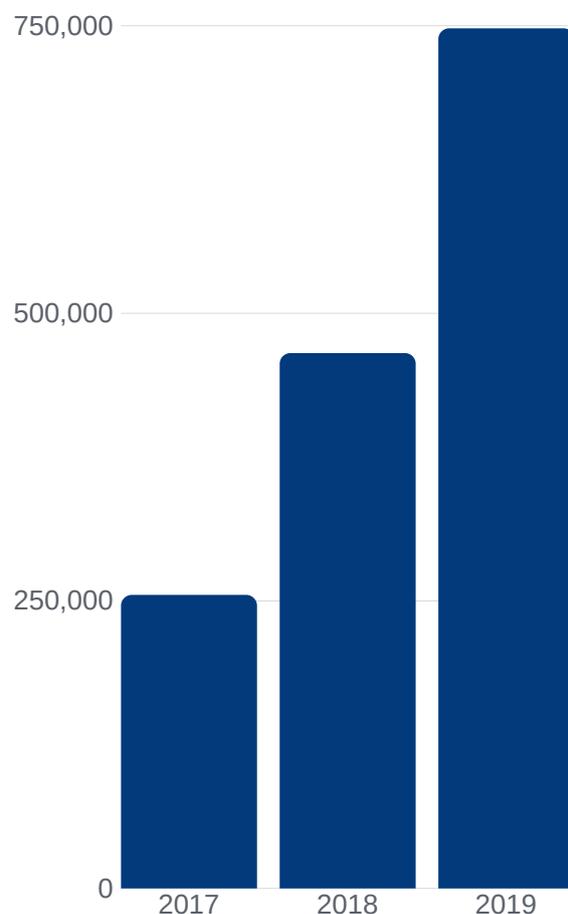
The top Altmetric scoring article was *Second trimester abortion laws globally: actuality, trends and recommendations* by Reed Boland, with a score of 2469.

DOWNLOADS

The online readership of our journal has grown tremendously since it became open access in 2017, allowing anyone, anywhere in the world, to access articles published in the SRHM journal. Readers are able to access articles published since the inception of the journal in 1993 to the present.



ARTICLE DOWNLOADS,
DATA FROM PUBLISHER

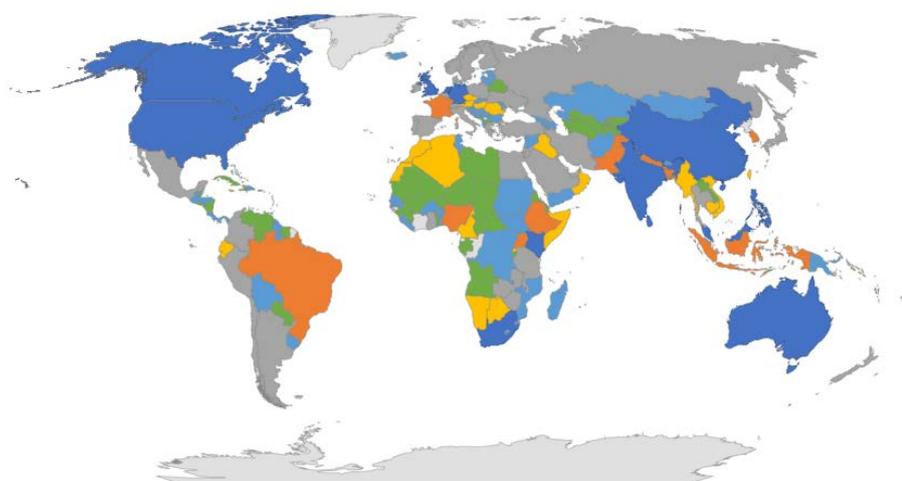


EXTENDING OUR REACH

SRHM’s global coverage on SRHR issues attracts researchers and readers from all corners of the world. The charts below break down SRHM article downloads from our publisher, Taylor and Francis, in 2019 by country and region.

SRHM DOWNLOADS BY COUNTRY

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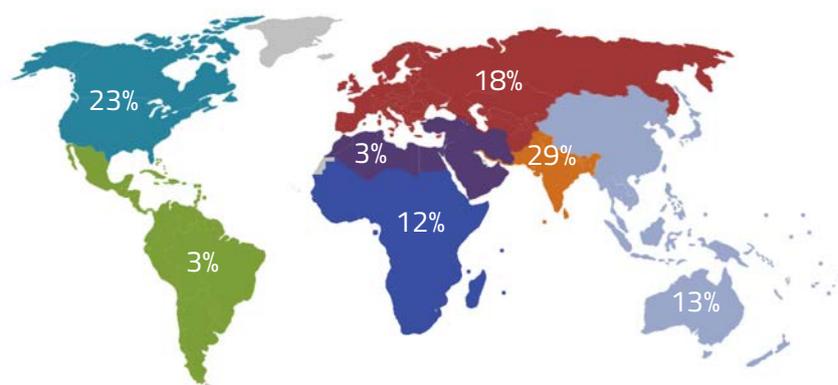


The five countries with the highest downloads were the United States (149 646), India (137 230), the United Kingdom (54 243), Sri Lanka (40 705) and South Africa (23 531).

Downloads across the globe continue to increase as SRHM remains open access and expands its reach and accessibility.

Some of the countries with the greatest growth in readership since 2018, of between 343% and 112%, include South Korea, Malaysia, Singapore, the Philippines, South Africa, Kenya, France, Germany and India.

SRHM DOWNLOADS BY REGION



Downloads in South East Asia have grown significantly over the last four years. Since 2016, the South East Asia regional readership has grown from 6% of total downloads to 29% in 2019.

Downloads from Africa also continue to increase year by year, constituting 12% of total downloads compare to 8% in 2016. In response, the percentage of total downloads from North America and Europe decreases.

**Usage of English articles only. Source: Taylor and Francis*

*** Regions are based on the World Health Organization’s regional divisions, except that Eastern Mediterranean is referred to as Middle East & North Africa, and the Americas have been divided between North America and Latin American and Caribbean. Source: Taylor and Francis*

RELEVANCE AND LONGEVITY OF SRHM ARTICLES

The table below shows the top 10 downloaded articles in 2019, across all journal issues. These articles showcase the diversity of topics, the diversity of the origins of the research, and the relevance of SRHM research. New articles to make the top ten list compared to 2018 are: a critical review of abortion law in India, a paper on sex education in Indonesia, an article about sexual desire and pleasure in Uganda and an article on the criminalisation of sex work in San Francisco, USA.

TOP DOWNLOADED ARTICLES IN 2019	ISSUE	DOWNLOADS IN 2019
1. Sexuality and Women's Rights in Armed Conflict in Sri Lanka. <i>Yasmin Tambiah</i>	May 2004	45 086
2. School-Based Sex Education in Western Nepal: Uncomfortable for Both Teachers and Students. <i>Sujeeta Shakya, Shreejana Pokharel, Andrzej Kulczycki</i>	Nov 2006	43 377
3. Sex Workers in Kenya, Numbers of Clients and Associated Risks: An Exploratory Survey. <i>C. Bernard Agala, Michael Elmore-Meegan, Ronan M Conroy</i>	May 2004	40 927
4. Romance and Sex: Pre-Marital Partnership Formation among Young Women and Men, Pune District, India. <i>Bela Ganatra, Mallika Alexander, Shireen Jejeebhoy, Laila Garda, Savita Kanade</i>	Nov 2006	31 939
5. Sexual Torture of Men in Croatia and Other Conflict Situations: An Open Secret. <i>Evert Ketting, Pauline Oosterhoff, Prisca Zwanikken</i>	May 2004	21 221
6. Abortion Law, Policy and Services in India: A Critical Review. <i>Siddhivinayak S Hirve</i>	May 2004	13 229
7. Youth, Sexuality and Sex Education Messages in Indonesia: Issues of Desire and Control. <i>Brigitte M Holzner, Dede Oetomo</i>	May 2004	11 151
8. "Sex is sweet": women from low-income contexts in Uganda talk about sexual desire and pleasure. <i>Florence Kyoheirwe Muhanguzi</i>	Nov 2015	8002
9. The business of desire: "Russian" bars in Amman, Jordan <i>Lenka Beňová</i>	Nov 2017	7042
10. Criminalization, legalization or decriminalization of sex work: what female sex workers say in San Francisco, USA. <i>Alexandra Lutnick, & Deborah Cohan</i>	Nov 2009	5967

ARTICLE SUBMISSIONS

New submissions to the journal increased by 29.7% (from 175 to 227) in 2019.

In the same period, the mean time from submission to first decision decreased by 44.7% (from 84.6 to 46.8 days), showing an increased efficiency in the processing of manuscripts that is important in an Open Access environment, both operationally for the journal and in terms of providing a service to authors who are likely to consider timeliness when deciding where to submit future manuscripts.

In 2019, 97.7% of manuscripts that received a “revise” decision were resubmitted to the journal (compared with 84.8% in 2018), so very few manuscripts were lost at revision or submitted to other journals following peer review.



ALTMETRIC REPORT

Sourced from the Web, altmetrics measure how often journal articles are discussed and used around the world. They can include (but are not limited to) peer reviews on Faculty of 1000, citations on Wikipedia and in public policy documents, discussions on research blogs, mainstream media coverage, bookmarks on reference managers like Mendeley, and mentions on social networks such as Twitter.

Below are the papers with the highest altmetric scores in 2019. The majority of the altmetric scores are due to Twitter discussions (blue in the doughnut), as well as news articles (red) and blogs (yellow).



SRHM IN TRANSLATION

SRHM works with partners to publish translated editions of the journal in seven languages other than English. Currently, there are seven regional language editions: Arabic, Chinese, French, Hindi, Portuguese, Russian and Spanish. Regional editorial teams select and translate papers from SRHM journal that are relevant to their language and region.

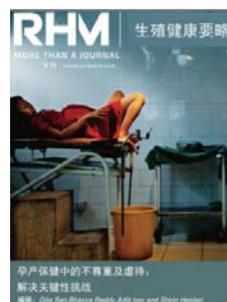
The tireless efforts of our partners across the globe have meant that six issues of SRHM in translation were published and disseminated in 2019. These include Arabic (two issues), Chinese, French, Russian and Spanish editions.



SRHM IN ARABIC
GENDERED BODIES AND REPRODUCTION IN THE ARAB COUNTRIES AND TURKEY



SRHM IN ARABIC
HUMANITARIAN CRISES: ADVANCING SEXUAL AND REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH AND RIGHTS



SRHM IN CHINESE
DISRESPECT AND ABUSE IN MATERNAL CARE: ADDRESSING KEY CHALLENGES



SRHM IN FRENCH
HUMANITARIAN CRISES: ADVANCING SEXUAL AND REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH AND RIGHTS



SRHM IN RUSSIAN
KNOWLEDGE, EVIDENCE, PRACTICE AND POWER



SRHM IN SPANISH
HUMANITARIAN CRISES: ADVANCING SEXUAL AND REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH AND RIGHTS

CAPACITY

SRHM enhances the capacity of SRHR practitioners to produce and use multidisciplinary, rights-based evidence and analysis that links to policy and practice, by publishing their work in the journal and other SRHM platforms.

SRHM addresses imbalances in research publication internationally, by giving attention to younger and new researchers, practitioners and advocates who have less experience in academic writing and those from low- and middle-income countries.

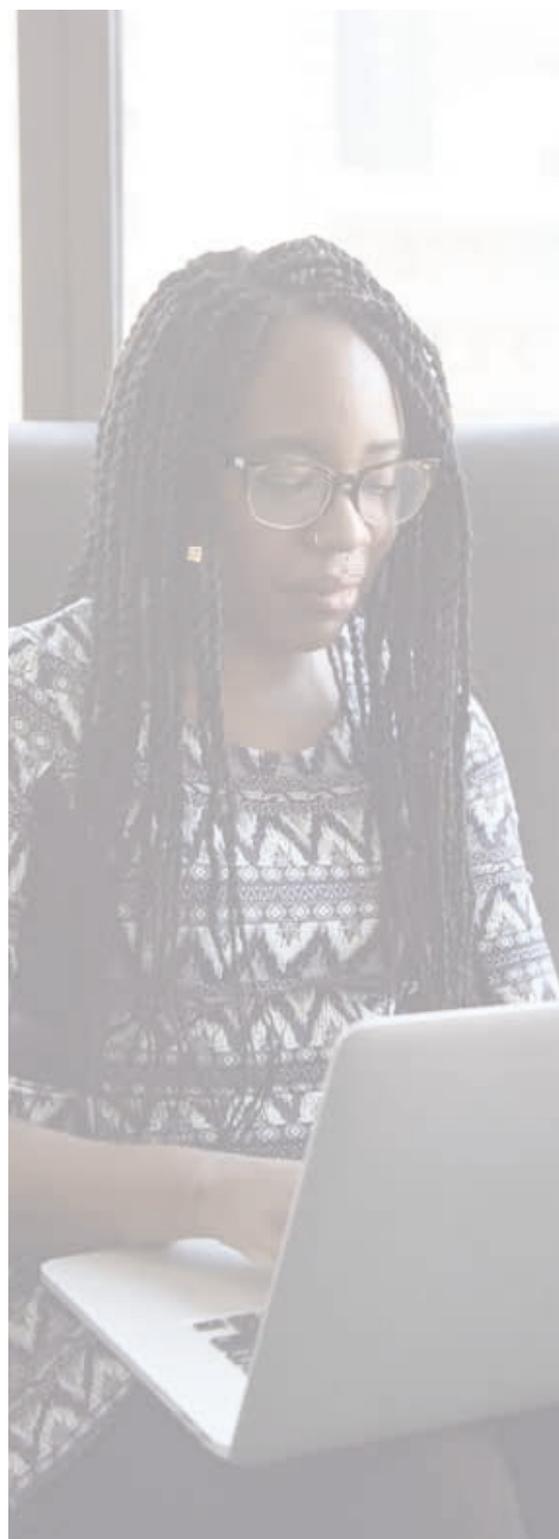
PROVIDING MENTORSHIP

Papers are accepted on an ongoing basis. Authors are supported to develop their academic writing by our editors and associate editors through our mentoring activities. A number of papers are available in the 2019 open issue which are a result of fruitful mentoring collaboration.

DEVELOPING AND IMPLEMENTING SRHR-ORIENTED EDUCATION AND TRAINING

In 2019, SRHM launched its webinar initiative, discussing the gender injustice perspectives of criminal abortion laws, the importance of using public health evidence in challenging criminalisation of abortion, and exploring ways to connect these important discourses to the universal health coverage agenda.

Activities will be expanded in 2020 and will focus on a South Asia Regional Hub with publication workshops, awards for fellowships and opportunities for less experienced authors to publish in SRHM.



INFLUENCE

SRHM works to ensure that SRHR advocacy, policy and practice are informed and influenced by rigorous evidence- and rights-based analysis.

SRHM works collaboratively with partners and allies to influence political and policy agendas and identify gaps in knowledge and encourage investigation into neglected areas in SRHR.

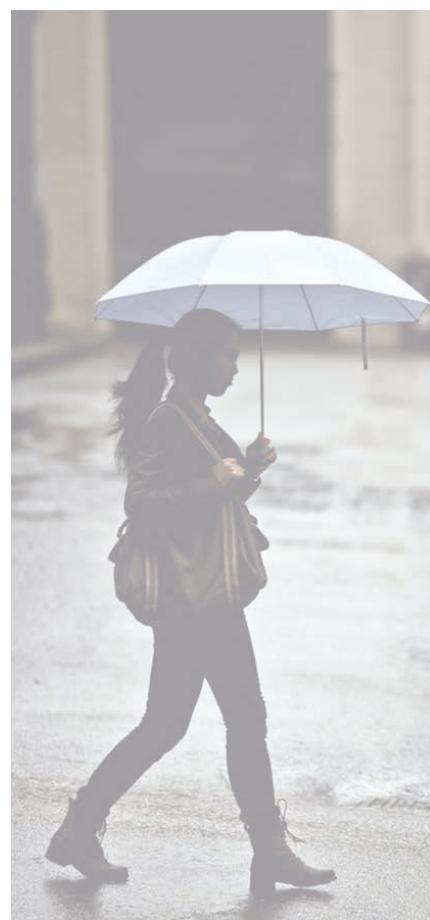
In 2019, we participated in a number of international conferences and meetings, contributed to public health and human rights standard development, committed to setting research and policy agendas, engaged in advocacy for SRHR globally and ensured that our knowledge was shared broadly in order to influence policy and practice.

Putting rights in the centre of the Universal Health Coverage and SRH agenda

SRHM, in collaboration with The Partnership for Maternal, Newborn and Child Health (PMNCH), organised a consultation meeting in Geneva on 19th March 2019, coinciding with the WHO Human Reproduction Programme Policy and Coordination Committee meeting, and convened a meeting in New York on 30th May 2019. These meetings provided a platform for dialogue, joint thinking, analysis, generation of knowledge and action on the rights-based perspectives of SRHR and universal health coverage (UHC).

In February 2019, SRHM collaborated closely with PMNCH on the development and implementation of a call to action to include SRHR as an essential element to achieve UHC.

SRHM launched a call for papers for a themed journal issue on SRHR and UHC: rights in focus. The issue will be published in 2020.

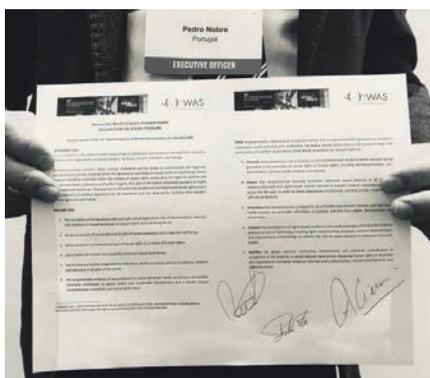


Enhancing the sexual and reproductive justice perspectives of gestational surrogacy

Throughout 2019, SRHM, in collaboration with the Center for Reproductive Rights, the Sama Resource Group for Women and Health, GIRE Mexico and other organisations, organised meetings with UN treaty monitoring bodies and UN special procedure bodies to express collective concern about placing gestational surrogacy in a framework of slavery and the sale of children; and endorsed an agreed list of points about the concerns and highlighted the sexual and reproductive justice perspectives of surrogacy. *See the Joint Submission.*

The above organisations and SRHM had intense dialogue with UN treaty monitoring bodies, including the Committee of the Rights of the Child, to reconsider framing gestational surgery in absolute terms as "the sale of children", and balance it out with sexual and reproductive justice and human rights perspectives of all involved parties.

SRHM participated in a meeting with the UN Working Group on Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women in Law and Practice, towards the adoption of a statement on the issue by the Working Group from the perspective of SRHR.



Advancing sexual pleasure, sexual health and sexual rights

SRHM's Chief Executive was one of the World Association for Sexual Health (WAS) task force members organising a WAS strategic meeting on sexual pleasure, towards the development of a WAS Declaration on Sexual Pleasure which was launched in October 2019.

SRHM contributed to the WAS Congress in October 2019 and is actively promoting and supporting the elaboration of the Association's Declaration on Sexual Pleasure, which is also a possible future theme for a journal issue.



Strong presence at Women Deliver

SRHM had a strong presence at the Women Deliver 2019 conference which provided a fantastic opportunity to liaise and collaborate with partners, past, present and future authors, funders and other colleagues. This conference also allowed us to engage in dialogue and contribute to conference discussions, while introducing our journal and organisation to a wider audience.

Accelerating the SRHR of women and girls with disability

In collaboration with This-Ability Trust and Humanity & Inclusion’s Making it Work project, and with support from the United Nations Population Fund and the Canadian High Commission in Nairobi, SRHM organised a one day pre-ICPD25 Summit forum to deliberate the SRHR of women with disabilities in Nairobi, Kenya. The Forum attracted over 150 participants with the participation of UN agencies and international disability and SRHR organisations.

As a result of the Forum on SRHR and women with disabilities in Nairobi before the ICPD25 Summit, a Call to Action was launched which urged all stakeholders to adopt and implement the prescribed actions for the realisation and acceleration of SRHR of women and girls with disabilities.



ICPD25: Accelerating accountability for SRHR

SRHM had a strong presence at the ICPD25 Summit in Nairobi and also successfully launched a special collection of papers, "ICPD25: Accelerating accountability for SRHR".

SRHM organised a dynamic "Hot off the Press" panel, in collaboration with the United Nations Population Fund. Our guest editors and authors presented highlights from the ICPD25 collection such as gender-based violence, disability, HIV and the use of technology in SRHR.



SHARING KNOWLEDGE TO LINK RESEARCH, ADVOCACY AND POLICY

SRHM shares knowledge to influence and link research, advocacy and policy. SRHM plays an important role as a source of objective, well-researched data and evidence.

SRHM IN THE MEDIA



Conservatives are perpetuating dangerous tropes about patients who need later abortions

(S)RHM paper, *Second trimester abortion laws globally: actuality, trends and recommendations* [18(36): 2010], was used by Rewire to refute a claim made by leading conservative figures about abortions after 20 weeks. The paper showed that around 65 countries allow abortion at this stage of pregnancy in cases of fetal malformations and anomalies.



Current policies to protect girls at risk of genital mutilation are invasive and traumatising

Meaning well while doing harm: compulsory genital examinations in Swedish African girls [27(2): 2019] was covered extensively in the Swedish media. It showed that policies aimed at protecting European African girls at risk of genital mutilation can be invasive and traumatic for the girls involved and their families.



Is the future of abortion online?

Cytotec in Brazil: 'At least it doesn't kill' [1(2): 1993] was cited in two articles from The Conversation in 2019 to show that long before the scientific interest in Misoprostol and Mifepristone, it was women themselves who first discovered their potential to self-induce abortion.



'Orange Is The New Black' Abortion Scenes Spark Questions About The Procedure, Experts Say

Self-induction of abortion among women in the United States [18(36): 2010] was cited by Bustle to suggest that a very small percentage of U.S. women turn to herbs and other non-medical methods to terminate their pregnancies, and like the character in OITNB, these methods often fail and women then need to pursue other methods of abortion.



Inside the illegal abortion market: 'I nearly touched hell'

SRHM article, *Perceptions of misoprostol among providers and women seeking post-abortion care in Zimbabwe* [22(44): 2014] was cited in an article by the Bhekisisa Centre. The study surveyed 42 doctors, nurses and general practitioners in 2012 and found that the majority favoured removing legal restrictions on abortion in Zimbabwe.

SHARING KNOWLEDGE TO LINK RESEARCH, ADVOCACY AND POLICY

To extend our reach to as wide an audience as possible, we have broadened our efforts and approaches for communicating evidence and knowledge. We regularly encourage our authors to write blogs of articles published in SRHM, and we also actively promote articles across various channels.



SOCIAL MEDIA

The nature of social media allows SRHM to reach a wide and diverse audience. SRHM uses Twitter and Facebook to link individual papers to relevant conferences and events, international days of action and remembrance; and alert organisations and individuals to papers that could usefully inform and support their work. In 2019, an Instagram page was started in order to reach a new, younger audience and to engage with advocates and activists in the SRHR field.

Twitter: 4200 followers, increased from 2925 in 2018

Facebook: 2167 followers, increased from 1855 in 2018

WEBSITES

SRHM’s organisational website, srhm.org, had over 37 000 page views in 2019, with over 16 800 users from all over the world.

SRHM’s journal website, srhmjournal.org, is hosted by our publisher, Taylor and Francis, where the entire journal archive is open-access.

BLOGS

Blogs serve to share current issues and topics in SRHR in an informal format and are submitted to SRHM by diverse members of the SRHR community.

Below are the top 5 blogs of 2019 (by readership):



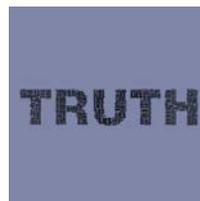
Pleasurable sex as a human right: An idea that has happily caught up to its constituents



To bleed or not to bleed? Why we need to integrate menstrual health in our SRH work



Calling for the reclassification of emergency contraception



The right to truth for intersex people



Challenges for achieving sexual and reproductive justice in South Africa

GLOBAL REACH

SRHM builds regional, national, and community ownership in knowledge generation linked to capacity-building, influence and advocacy, ensuring diverse voices are represented and amplified.

With work beginning in 2019, SRHM is establishing regional hubs for knowledge generation, capacity and influence as well as publishing in eight languages namely, English, Arabic, Chinese, French, Hindi, Portuguese, Russian and Spanish.

Our partners are based in institutions and organisations in Egypt (Arabic), China (Chinese), India (Hindi), Brazil (Portuguese), Russia (Russian) and Peru (Spanish).

Partner organisations select articles based on their relevance to their location or regional context for translation and publication. By building capacity and partnering with local organisations, SRHM ensures that the next generation of researchers, policy makers, service providers and especially advocates from the Global South is well equipped to address SRHR issues locally and globally.

The increased reach strengthens SRHM's ability to influence policy and action by building partnerships with global, regional and national actors.



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SRHM IN FRENCH



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BUILDING COLLABORATIVE REGIONAL KNOWLEDGE HUBS

SRHM's new strategy aims to develop regional SRHR knowledge hubs based on global, regional, local and in-country collaborations and strategic partnerships. They will be built on existing language editions (as applicable) and provide regional, national, and community ownership in knowledge generation, linked to capacity building, policy, programme development and advocacy. Through the regional hubs, SRHM aims to ensure that regional, national and community perspectives are represented and diverse voices are amplified through multi-disciplinary, inter-sectorial, cross-generational collaboration of academic institutions, civil society organisations, practitioners, government champions, youth leaders, researchers and other key stakeholders who are committed to progressing SRHR issues locally, regionally and globally.

South Asia Regional Hub

We are very grateful to have received a grant from the Gates Foundation to establish a South Asian regional hub.

The proposed SRHM South Asian regional hub (focused on India, Bangladesh, Nepal, Pakistan and Sri Lanka initially) will support SRH organisations, practitioners, government champions, youth leaders, researchers and other key stakeholders who are committed to progressive social and political changes on SRHR issues.

This will promote rights-based approaches in research, and for programming and policies. Partners will work to generate and disseminate evidence to support advocacy and programming in the region, with a focus on knowledge translation to policy and practice. Through capacity building, ongoing dialogues and networking meetings with a select group of targeted stakeholders from countries in the region, the hub will develop a comprehensive long term agenda, which prioritises regional perspectives and needs on SRHR.



Francophone Africa Regional Hub

With support from our Editorial Advisory Board Members, we were delighted to hold a meeting in Rabat, Morocco in collaboration with Association Ensemble pour la Santé de la Reproduction and Ecole Nationale de Santé Publique.

The September meeting aimed to construct a plan for the development of an SRHM regional hub to bring together institutions and individuals from various French speaking African countries and to strengthen the French translation of the journal.

Participants from Benin, Democratic Republic of Congo, Guinea, Morocco and Tunisia attended and the involvement of groups from other countries is anticipated.

The initiative has already resulted in plans for the French translation of the journal, capacity building, advocacy and joint grant making.



SUSTAIN AND STRENGTHEN ORGANISATIONAL AND FINANCIAL CAPACITY

SRHM strives to be an organisation with strong institutional and financial sustainability in order to maintain its core mission, vision and values.

SRHM SECRETARIAT

Our global team is passionate about the mission of SRHM and contributes diverse, dynamic, and professional experience to the organisation.

Eszter Kismódi - Chief Executive, France

Julia Hussein - Editor-in-Chief, UK

Pathika Martin - Administration Manager and Monitoring Editor, UK

Sarah Pugh - Academic Editor, South Africa (until Sep 2019)

Pete Chapman - Managing Editor, UK (from Oct 2019)

Edna Epelu - Operations Manager, UK

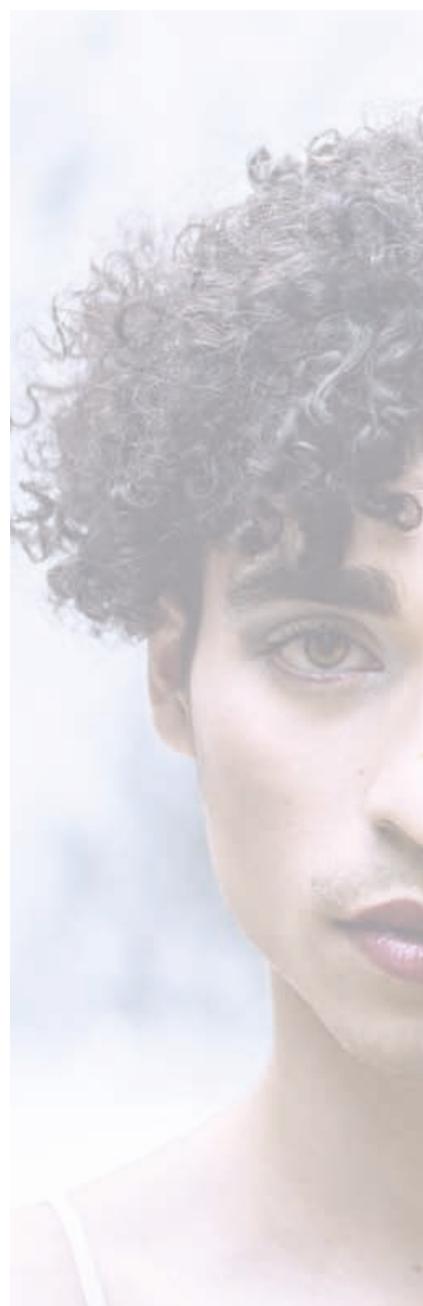
Jessica MacKinnon - Communications Manager, South Africa

Alexane Bremshey - Communications Officer, UK

Lance Stewart - Finance Manager, UK

Elisabeta Pashaj - Finance Officer, UK

In March 2019, we welcomed Edna Epelu as Operations Manager to ensure the smooth running of the organisation. In September 2019, we said a fond farewell to Sarah Pugh as Academic Editor of the journal. We are grateful for her contribution to the organisation and her dedication to SRHM. We welcomed Pete Chapman as Managing Editor in October 2019.





TRUSTEES

Our Trustees ensure SRHM's accountability for its mission, vision, values and operational excellence.

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In 2019, we welcomed two new trustees, Sapna Desai and Sarah Hodgson.

ASSOCIATE EDITORS

Our associate editors provide a valuable contribution to the publication of the journal and mentorship of authors.

Laura Ferguson - Associate Director, Program on Global Health & Human Rights, University of Southern California, USA

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Nambusi Kyegombe - Assistant Professor, Social and Structural determinants of health, London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, UK

In 2019, we welcomed four new associate editors, Mindy Jane Roseman, Joyce Wamoyi, Nina Sun and Nambusi Kyegombe. Heidi Stöckl stepped down as associate editor and joined our editorial advisory board. We would like to thank her for her time serving as an associate editor for SRHM.

EDITORIAL ADVISORY BOARD

Our editorial advisory board members offer diverse, multidisciplinary and long-standing expertise related to SRHR to help achieve SRHM's core mission.

Avni Amin – Scientist on Gender-based Violence, WHO, Department of Reproductive Health and Research, Switzerland

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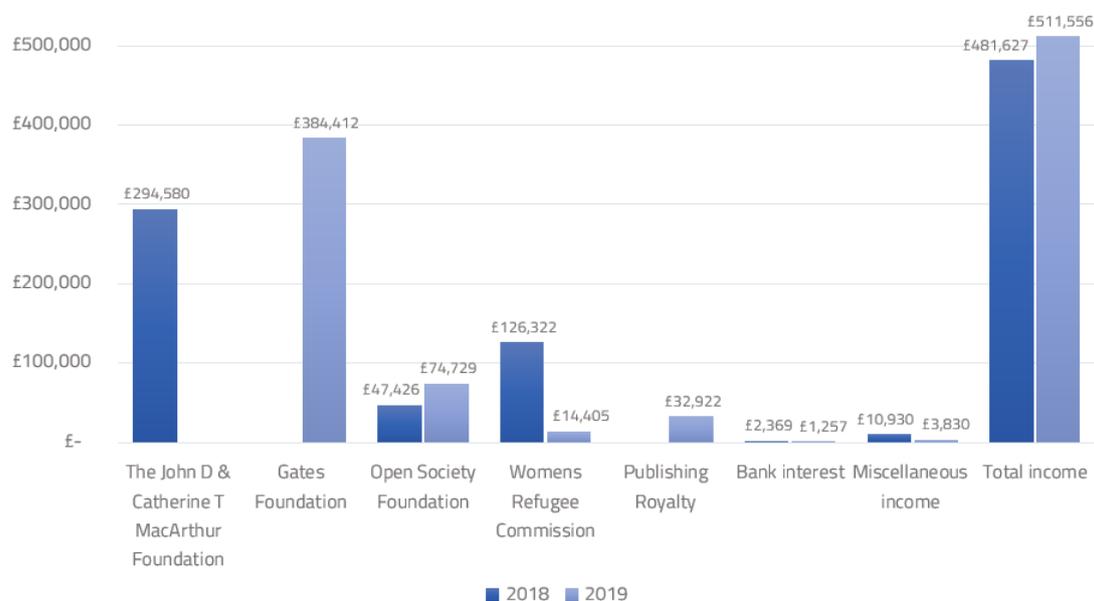
Johanne Sundby – Professor, Institute of Community Medicine, University of Oslo, Norway

Sylvia Tamale – Associate Professor, Faculty of Law, Makerere University, Uganda

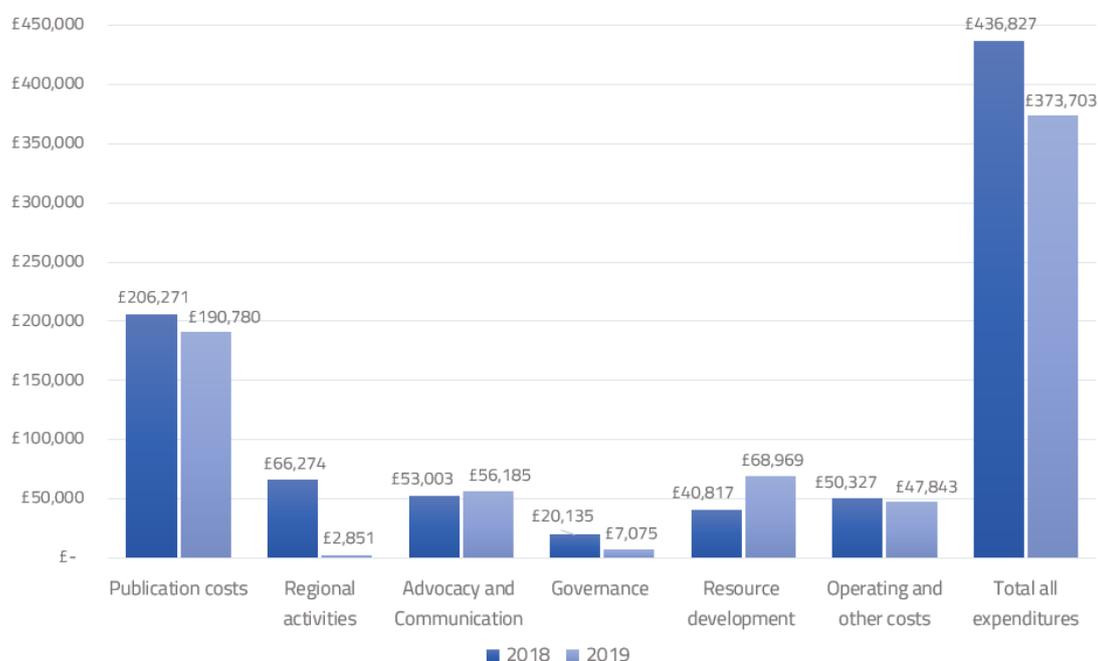
In 2019, we increased our editorial advisory board to 32 members, with rotation of previous members and inclusion of new individuals.

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