# Cochrane Editorial and Publishing Policy Resource

Cochrane's editorial and publishing policies and practices for articles published in the Cochrane Database of Systematic Reviews, the Cochrane Library.

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