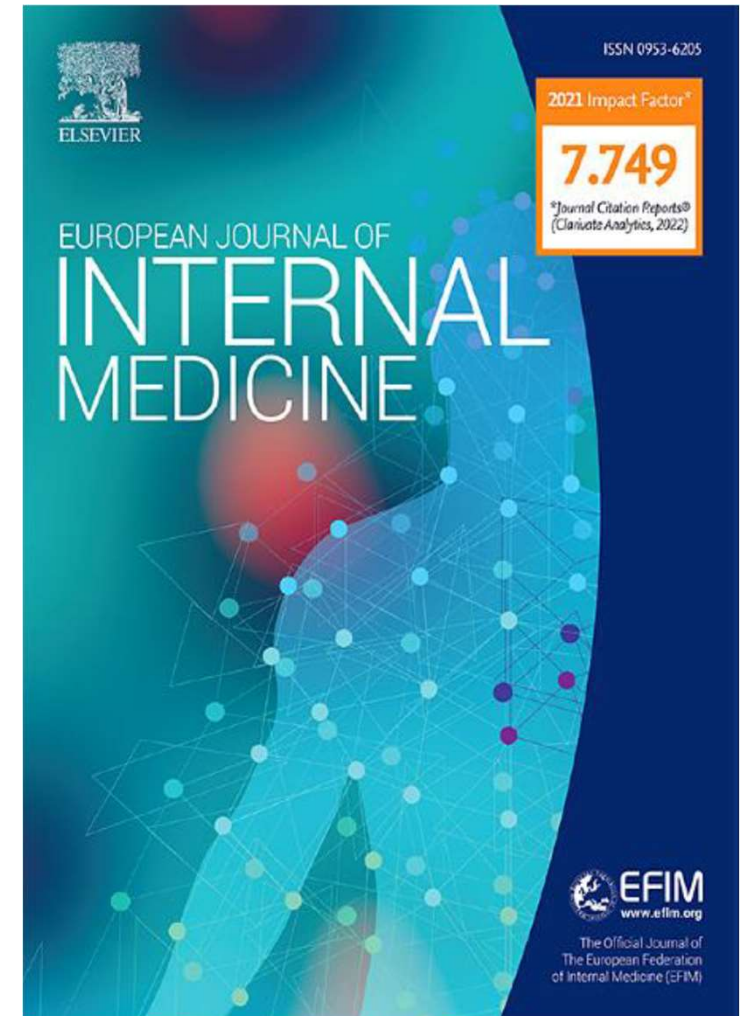




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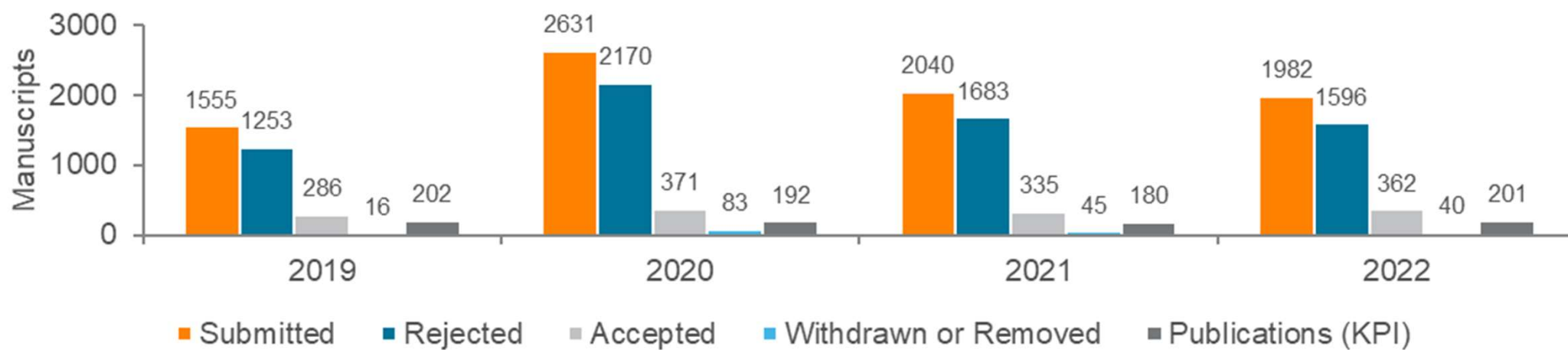
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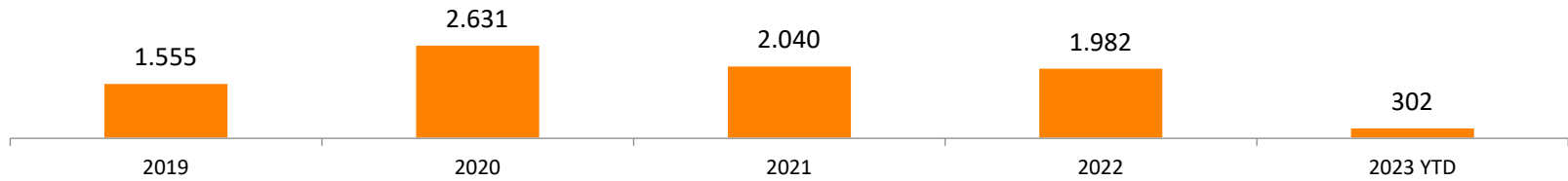
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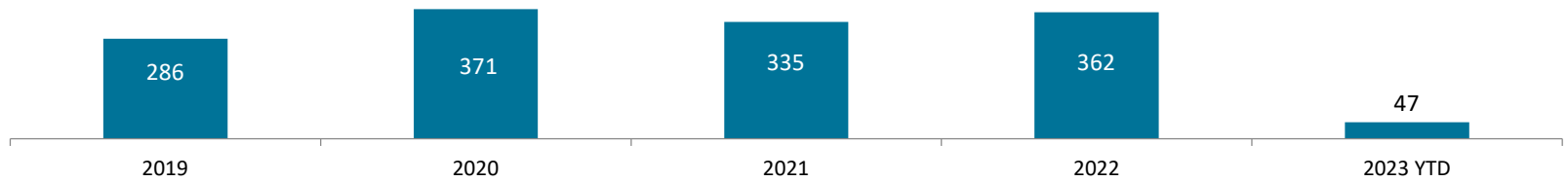
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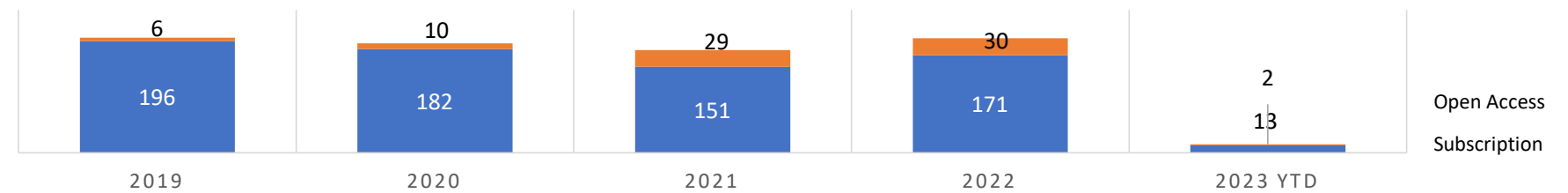
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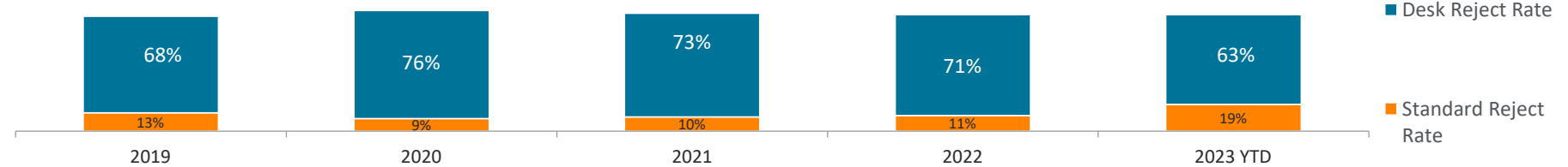
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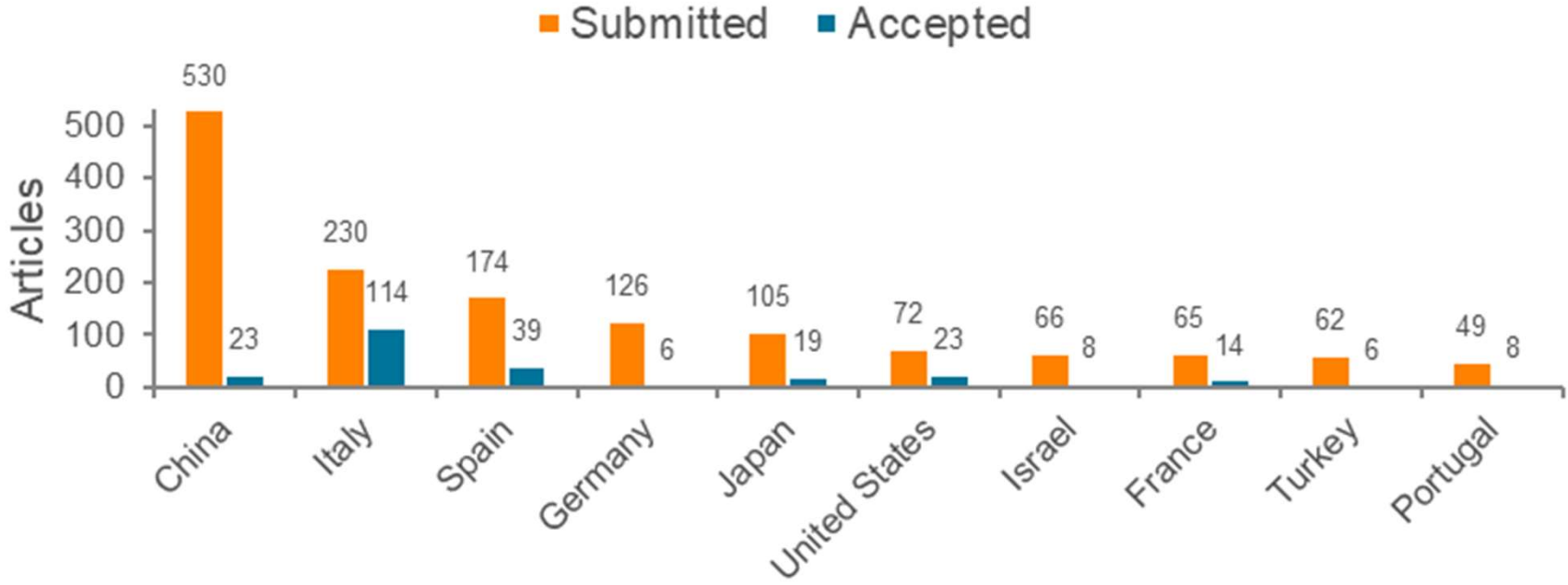
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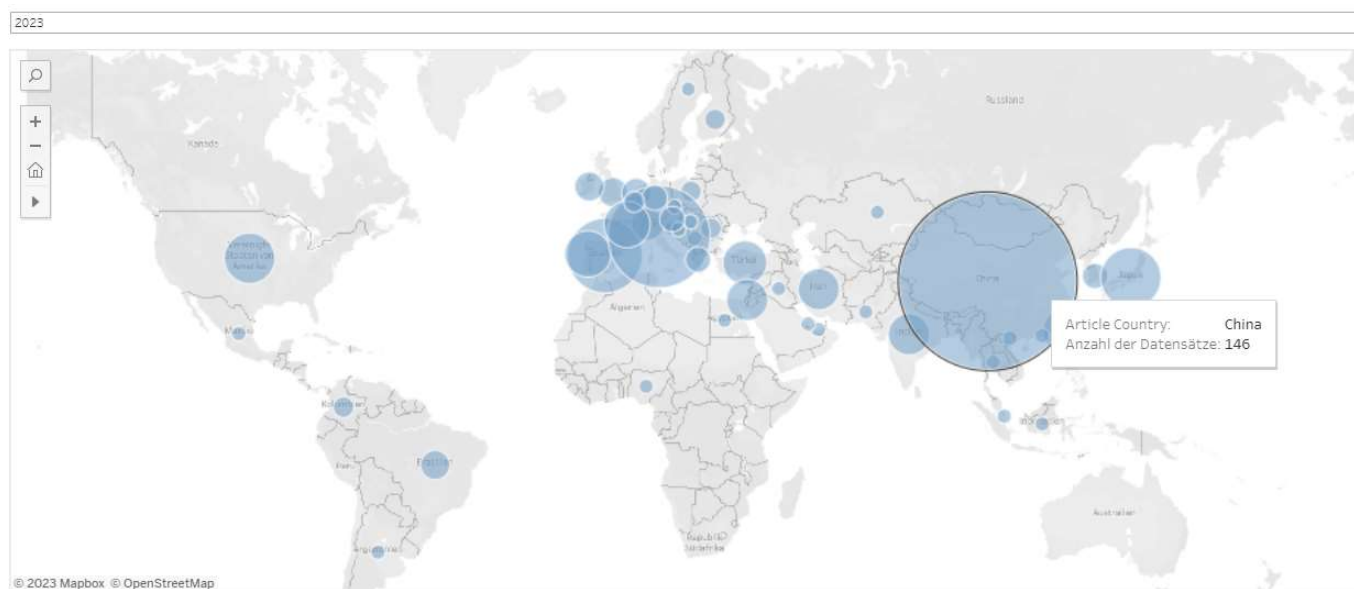
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Top 10 Countries & Regions by Submitted

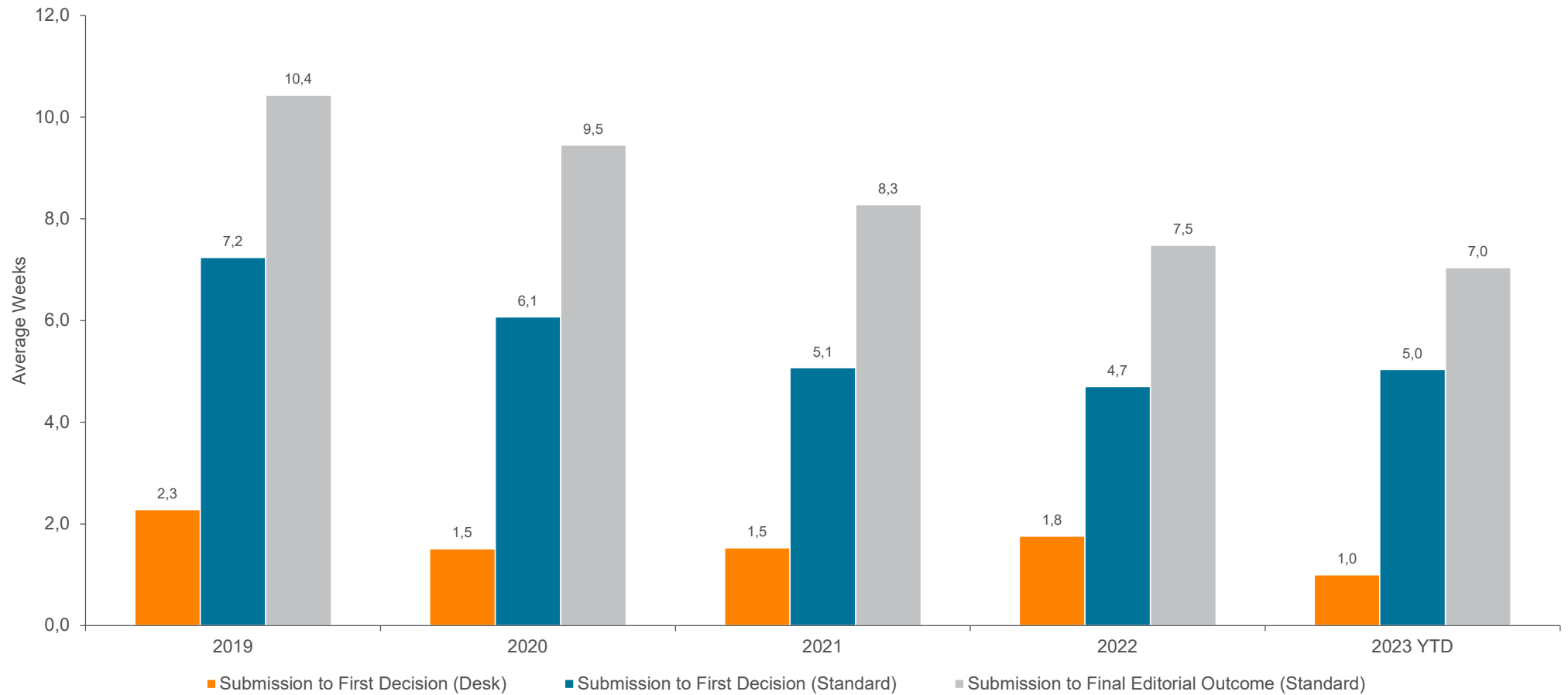


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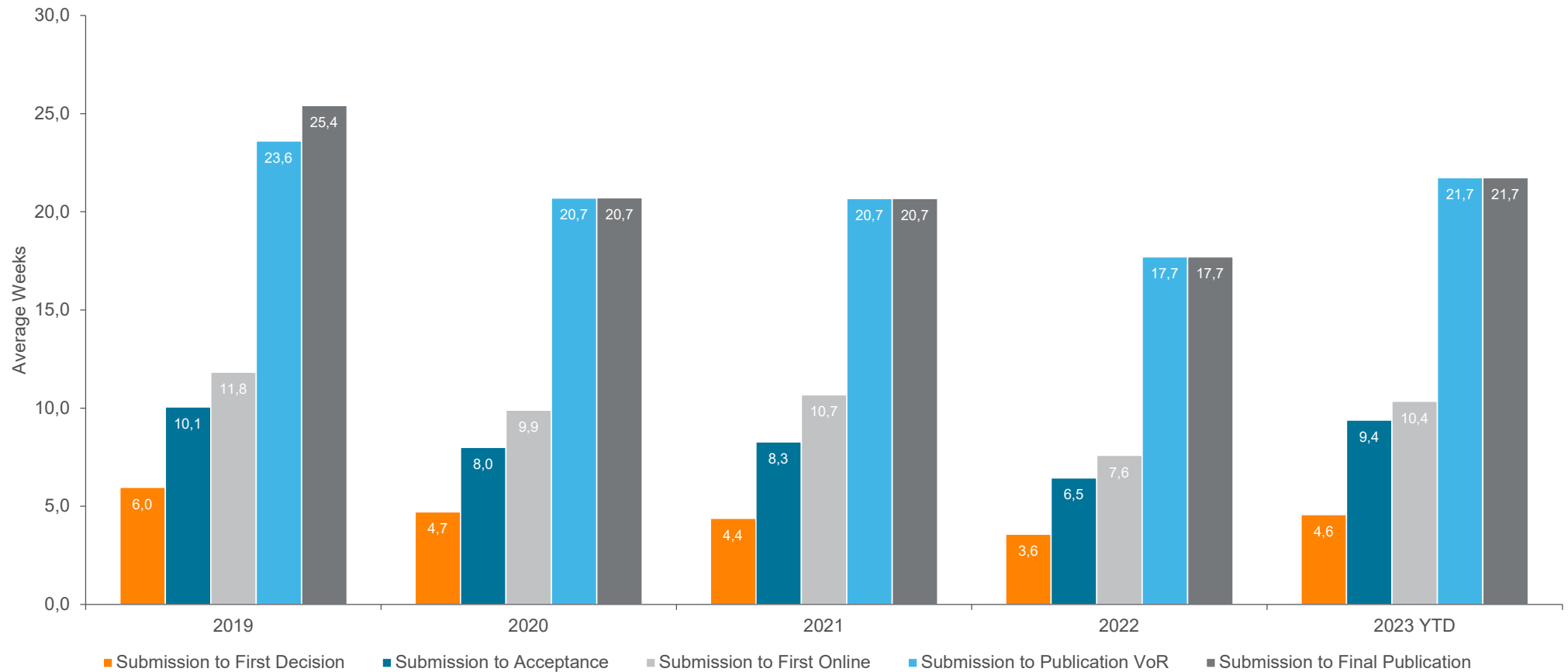
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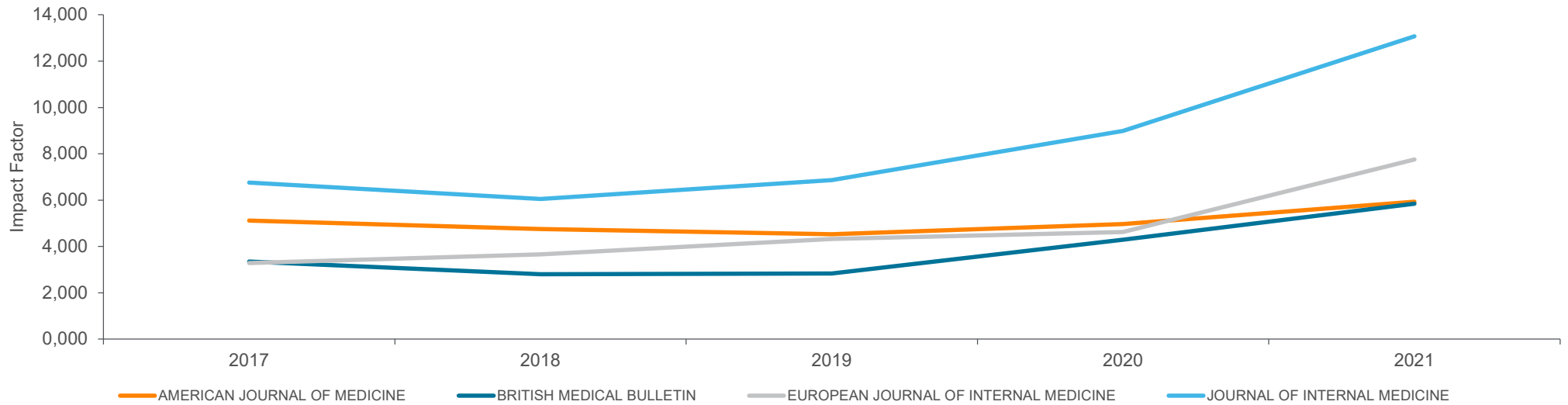


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Index	Category	Rank	Total Journals	Quartile
SCIE	MEDICINE, GENERAL & INTERNAL - SCIE	26	172	Q1

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4	36	Terpos E.; Stellas D.; Rosati M.; Sergentanis T.N.; Hu X.; Politou M.; Pappa V.; Ntanasis-Stathopoulos I.; Karaliota S.; Bear J.; Donohue D.; Pagoni M.; Grouzi E.; Korompoki E.; Pavlakis G.N.; Felber B.K.; Dimopoulos M.A.	SARS-CoV-2 antibody kinetics eight months from COVID-19 onset: Persistence of spike antibodies but loss of neutralizing antibodies in 24% of convalescent plasma donors	89	2021	Article	All Open Access; Green Open Access	2704
5	30	Boriani G.; Vitolo M.; Lane D.A.; Potpara T.S.; Lip G.Y.	Beyond the 2020 guidelines on atrial fibrillation of the European society of cardiology	86	2021	Review	Subscription	842
6	23	Tait C.; Sayuk G.S.	The Brain-Gut-Microbiotal Axis: A framework for understanding functional GI illness and their therapeutic interventions	84	2021	Review	Subscription	3105
7	22	Fumagalli C.; Zocchi C.; Tasseti L.; Silverii M.V.; Amato C.; Livi L.; Giovannoni L.; Verrillo F.; Bartoloni A.; Marcucci R.; Lavorini F.; Fumagalli S.; Ungar A.; Olivotto I.; Rasero L.; Fattirolli F.; Marchionni N.	Factors associated with persistence of symptoms 1 year after COVID-19: A longitudinal, prospective phone-based interview follow-up cohort study	97	2022	Article	All Open Access; Bronze Open Access; Green Open Access	3554
8	22	Zappa M.; Verdecchia P.; Spanevello A.; Visca D.; Angeli F.	Blood pressure increase after Pfizer/BioNTech SARS-CoV-2 vaccine	90	2021	Letter	All Open Access; Bronze Open Access; Green Open Access	81930
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10	21	Smorenberg A.; Peters E.J.; van Daele P.L.; Nossent E.J.; Muller M.	How does SARS-CoV-2 targets the elderly patients? A review on potential mechanisms increasing disease severity	83	2021	Review	All Open Access; Green Open Access; Hybrid Gold Open Access	3379

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15	18	Zecchin M.; Torre M.; Carrani E.; Sampao L.; Ciminello E.; Ortis B.; Ricci R.; Proclemer A.; Sinagra G.; Boriani G.	Seventeen-year trend (2001–2017) in pacemaker and implantable cardioverter-defibrillator utilization based on hospital discharge database data: An analysis by age groups	84	2021	Article	All Open Access; Green Open Access; Hybrid Gold Open Access	1937
16	17	Trevisan C.; Del Signore S.; Fumagalli S.; Gareri P.; Malara A.; Mossello E.; Volpato S.; Monzani F.; Coin A.; Bellelli G.; Zia G.; Ranhoff A.H.; Antonelli Incalzi R.	Assessing the impact of COVID-19 on the health of geriatric patients: The European GeroCovid Observational Study	87	2021	Article	All Open Access; Bronze Open Access; Green Open Access	2675
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## Official EFIM publications

- Competence in multimorbidity (Bernabeu-Wittel, issue # 109; Citazione # 0)
- Community-acquired pneumonia (Gorken, issue # 106; Citazione # 0)
- Enviromental degradation (Campos, issue # 104; Citations # 1)
- Pulmonary embolism (Becattini, issue # 96; Citations # 4)
  
- Methodology (Lesniak, issue # 77; Citations # 5)
- Less is more (Kherad, issue # 76; Citations # 12)

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## **Associate Editor:**

- Proactive scouting for high-quality reviews and papers(and article series or collections)
- Full handling of the manuscript (including editorial decision)
- Participation in the monthly call with the Editor-in-Chief and the Editorial Office
- Participation in the annual Editorial Board meeting (next in Barcelona on September 22nd)

## **Editorial board member:**

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- Review the assigned paper
- Provide «quick review» for desk decision

## Editorial Board: call for nomination

- Associate Editor with clinical experience in endocrinology
- Associate Editor with clinical experience in oncology
- Editorial board member with clinical experience in epidemiology and biostatistics

Preference for:

- Under-represented countries (including non-European countries)
- Female scientists

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## Actions for the next months

- Identify new members of the Editorial Board
- Finalize reviews (including those selected from the ECIM 2023 program)
- Scouting for high-quality studies
- Introduce new EJIM series as:
  - What clinician need to know about .....
  - Updates 2023 in .....
- Finalize the publication of the Guidelines of the European Society of Hypertension
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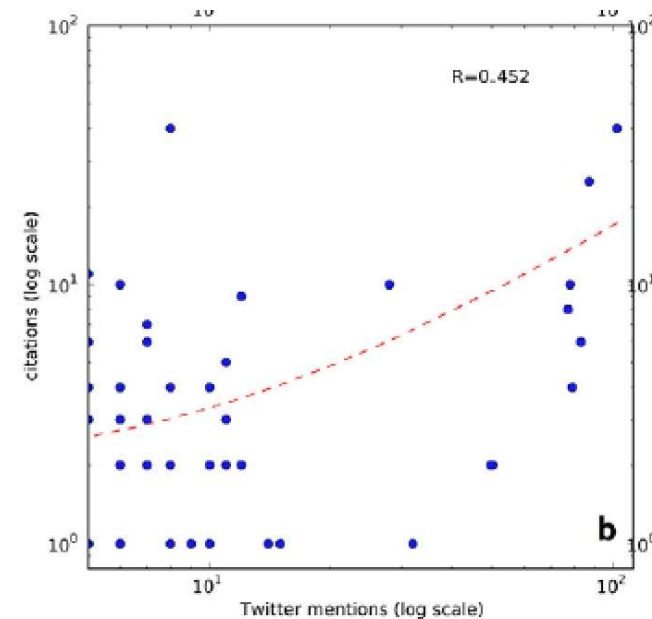
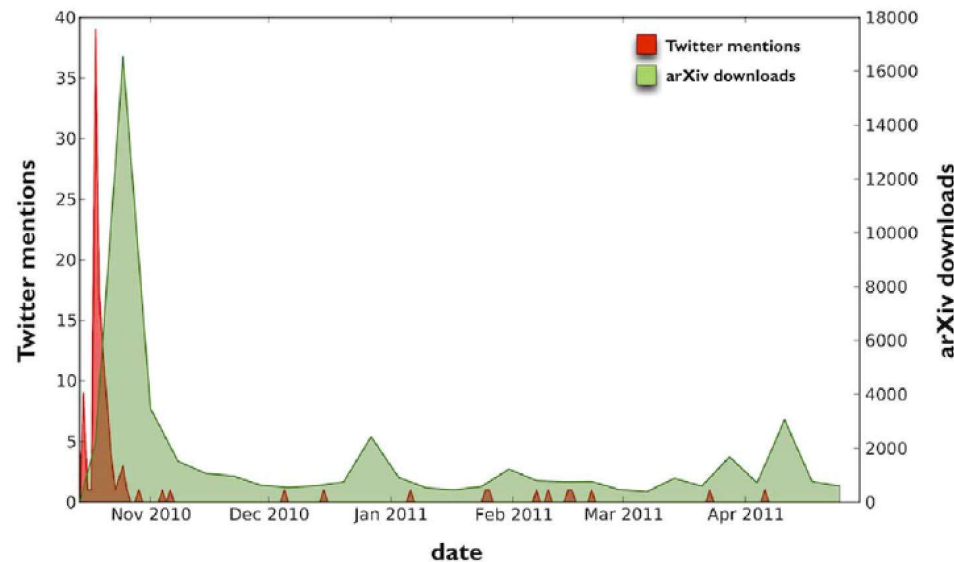
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## Hurdles for EJIM implementation

- Predatory journals
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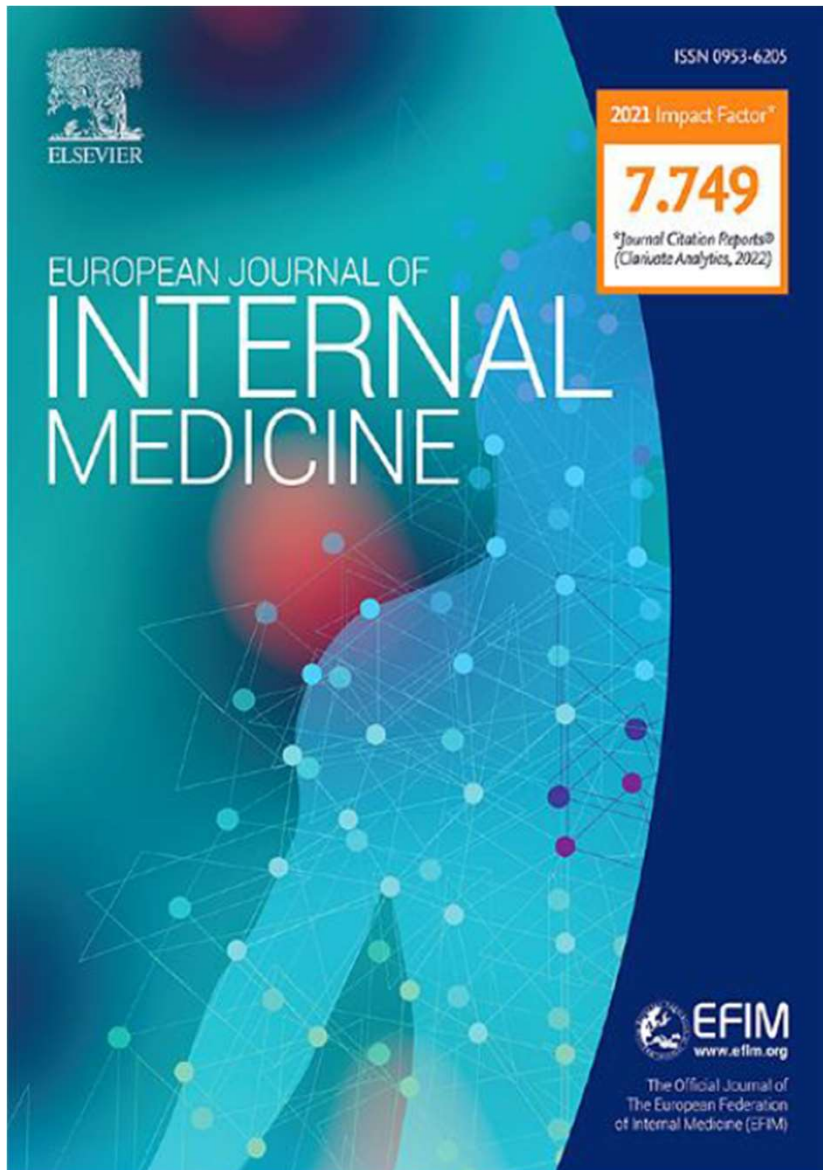
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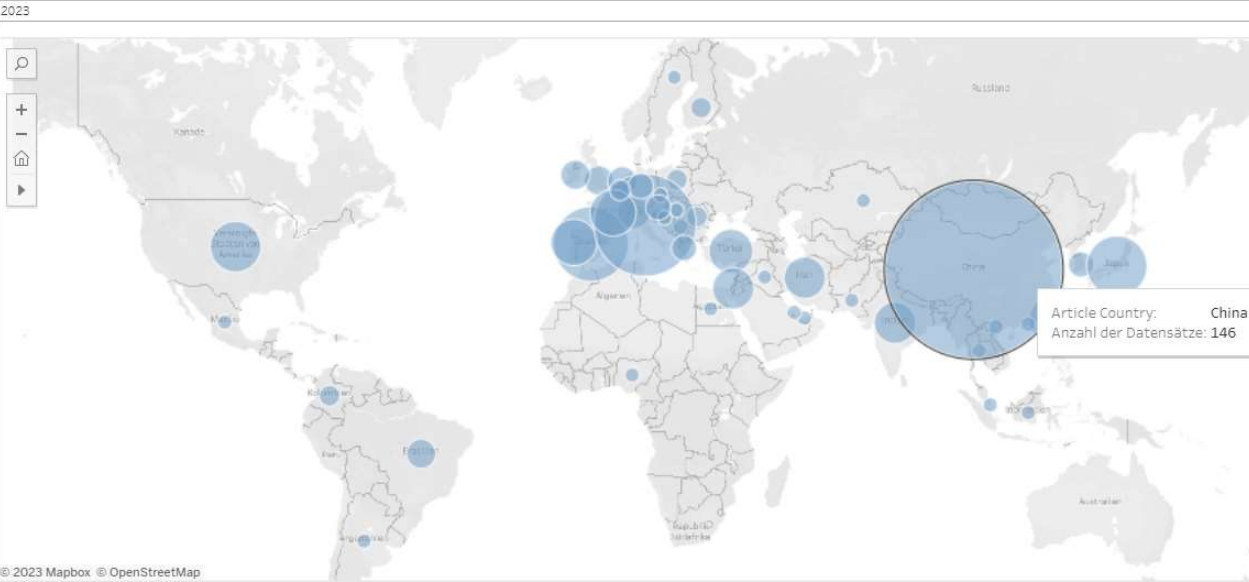




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Submitted Articles per Month per Year **YTD**

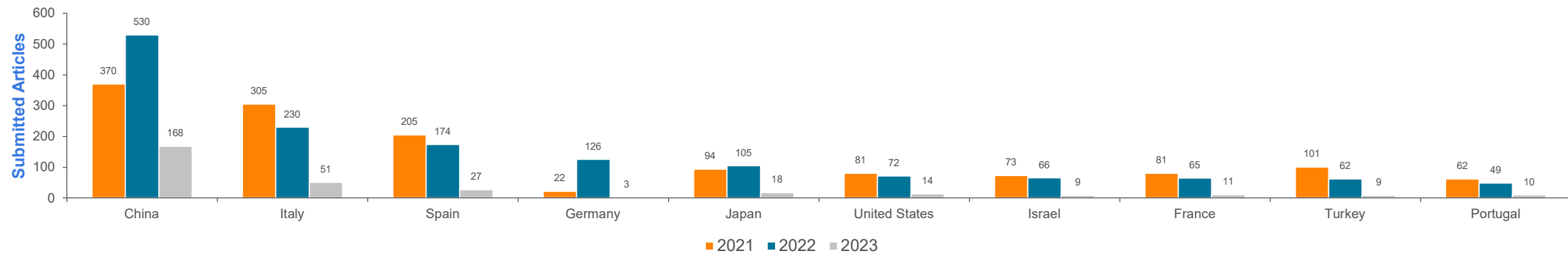
Absolute Numbers <b>YTD</b>						% Growth <b>YTD</b>						
Monat von ..	2019		2020		Submission Date		2021		2022		2023	
Januar	137	147	218	164	186	Januar	7,3%	48,3%	-24,8%	13,4%		
Februar	98	136	180	155	192	Februar	38,8%	32,4%	-13,9%	23,9%		
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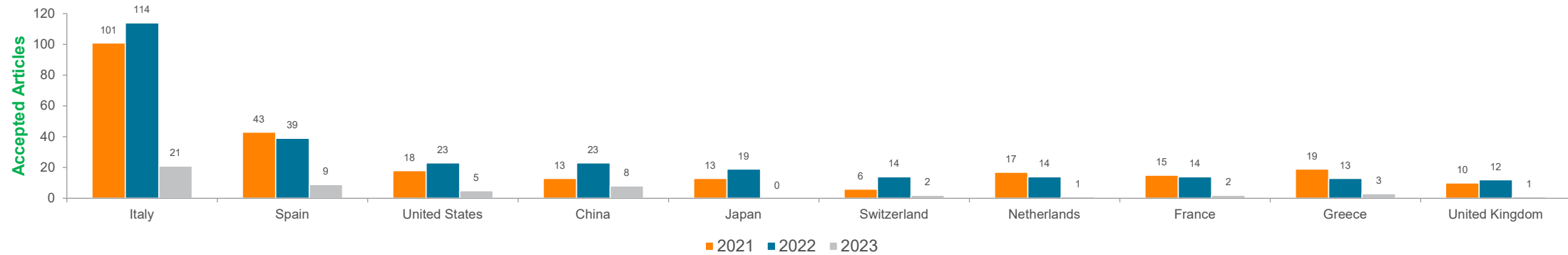
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7	10728	The use of $\beta$ -blockers in patients with heart failure and comorbidities: Doubts, certainties and unsolved issues	Paolillo, S.; Dell'Aversana, S.; Esposito, I.; Poccia, A.; Perrone Filardi, P.	88	30/04/2021	01/06/2021	Review article	All Open Access; Hybrid Gold Open Access	5
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15	5074	Both lean and fat body mass associate with blood pressure	Korhonen, P.; Mikkola, T.; Kautiainen, H.; Eriksson, J.	91	13/05/2021	01/09/2021	Full-length article	All Open Access; Green Open Access; Hybrid Gold Open Access	7
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# TWEETS CORRELATE WITH CITATIONS



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Table 5. Spearman correlation between tweets and citations.

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Biology Sciences	0.258**	0.153**	0.366**	0.365**	0.181**
Chemical Sciences	0.467**	0.065	0.313**	0.35	-0.22
Earth & Environment Sciences	0.23*	0.298**	0.42**	0.419**	0.301**
Physical Sciences	0.06	0.022	0.233**	0.122	0.017
Total	0.259**	0.161**	0.354**	0.321**	0.16**

\* Correlation is significant at the 0.05 level.

\*\* Correlation is significant at the 0.01 level.