Summarized Research in Information Retrieval for HTA
What is SuRe Info?

- Open access web resource (www.sure-info.org) produced by the HTAi Interest Sub-Group on Information Resources (IRG)

- Provides *research-based* information relating to the information retrieval aspects of producing health technology assessments and systematic reviews
  - Identifies and summarizes current information retrieval methods papers
  - Offers brief chapters that provide quick overviews of major issues in information retrieval

- Aimed at information specialists and others who work with information retrieval for such evidence syntheses
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ACTIVITIES IN 2014-15
## Current status of the SuRe chapters

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### Chapters on general search methods common across all health technologies

**Sources to search:**
- Value of searching different sources
- Value of using different search approaches
- Service providers and search interfaces

**Designing search strategies:**
- Strategy development*
- Search filters*
- Other limits: language, date*

**Peer reviewing search strategies**

**Documenting and reporting the search process**
## Current status of the SuRe chapters - continued

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Seven new members have joined the group.

A new chapter on qualitative research has been introduced.

As the group is growing, we have established a SuRe Info Steering Group, consisting of SuRe Info project managers and four group members.
SuRe Info Steering Group

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ACTIVITIES IN 2015-16
Activities planned

• The newly established SuRe Info Steering Group will continue its work according to its Terms of Reference.

• Six further information specialists with appropriate content expertise will be invited to be involved in the project.

• The project group aims to complete three of the ongoing SuRe Info chapters by the middle of 2015, and the rest by the end of 2015.

• The group continues updating all chapters twice a year.
Contact us if you would like to get involved!

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