

# SOCIAL SCIENCE & MEDICINE TOP RATED JOURNAL

*Social Science & Medicine (SS&M)* has recently been rated by Thomson ISI as the world's most cited social science journal over a decade. Published since 1967, came top of the top 20 out of 629 journals, with 3,761 papers cited a total of 42,554 times to date, between 1997-2007.

The Thomson ISI rating recognises the international impact of the journal among a wide range of social science journals covering such disciplines as sociology, anthropology, political science, law and education.

*Social Science & Medicine* is widely acclaimed, not just for its international scope, but for its interdisciplinary focus. It publishes research in medical sociology, medical anthropology, health economics, health psychology, health policy, medical geography and social epidemiology.

Editor-in-Chief since it became based in Leicester in 2004, Dr Ellen Annandale, commented: "*Social Science & Medicine's* first-ranked position for the highest number of citations of any Thomson Scientific index social science journal during the last decade is a tribute to the authors who have submitted their best international work to the journal and to the outstanding work of its international editorial team."

The journal is published by Elsevier in 24 issues (2 volumes) a year. The current (2006) impact factor is 2.749

An article soon to be published in *Social Science & Medicine*, entitled 'Researchers find that middle-aged misery spans the globe', by researchers from the University of Warwick, UK, and Dartmouth College, USA, has recently attracted substantial media interest worldwide, including in The Guardian.

**Notes to Editors:** For more information on this please contact Dr Ellen Annandale, Editor-in-Chief, *Social Science & Medicine*, Department of Sociology, University of Leicester, tel 0116 252 2734, email [eca7@le.ac.uk](mailto:eca7@le.ac.uk) or Dr Ryan Mowat, Managing Editor, [rm158@le.ac.uk](mailto:rm158@le.ac.uk)