

## Literature Search

### ACR Appropriateness Criteria® Nasopharyngeal Carcinoma

Literature Search Performed on: 5/14/2015

Beginning Date: January 2011

End Date: April 2015

Database: Ovid MEDLINE(R) In-Process & Other Non-Indexed Citations, Ovid MEDLINE(R) Daily, Ovid MEDLINE(R) and Ovid OLDMEDLINE(R) <1946 to Present>

Search Strategy:

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- 1 Radiotherapy/ (37189)
  - 2 Drug Therapy/ (28518)
  - 3 systemic therapy for nasopharyngeal carcinoma {No Related Terms} (5655)
  - 4 limit 3 to five stars (15)
  - 5 Nasopharyngeal Neoplasms/ and Neoplasm Staging/ (1440)
  - 6 Pharyngectomy/ (1106)
  - 7 Neoplasm Recurrence, Local/ and Nasopharyngeal Neoplasms/ (1037)
  - 8 Herpesvirus 4, Human/ and Nasopharyngeal Neoplasms/ (1926)
  - 9 Nasopharyngeal Neoplasms/ (13312)
  - 10 (1 or 2 or 6) and (5 or 7 or 9 or 8) (515)
  - 11 4 or 10 (530)
  - 12 limit 11 to (abstracts and english language and humans and yr="2011 -Current") (79)
  - 13 limit 12 to case reports (5)
  - 14 12 not 13 (74)
  - 15 remove duplicates from 14 (73)
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Literature Search Performed on: 6/1/2011

Beginning Date: January 1995

End Date: May 2011

Database: Ovid MEDLINE(R) <1948 to May Week 3 2011>

Search Strategy:

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- 1 Radiotherapy/ (31892)
  - 2 Drug Therapy/ (29268)
  - 3 systemic therapy for nasopharyngeal carcinoma {No Related Terms} (3490)
  - 4 limit 3 to five stars (6)
  - 5 Nasopharyngeal Neoplasms/ and Neoplasm Staging/ (992)
  - 6 Pharyngectomy/ (963)
  - 7 Neoplasm Recurrence, Local/ and Nasopharyngeal Neoplasms/ (802)
  - 8 Herpesvirus 4, Human/ and Nasopharyngeal Neoplasms/ (1639)
  - 9 Nasopharyngeal Neoplasms/ (10722)
  - 10 (1 or 2 or 6) and (5 or 7 or 9 or 8) (414)
  - 11 4 or 10 (420)
  - 12 limit 11 to (abstracts and english language and humans and yr="1995 -Current") (189)
  - 13 limit 12 to case reports (46)
  - 14 12 not 13 (143)

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## Literature Search Summary

A literature search was conducted in June 2011 and updated in May 2015 to identify evidence for the ACR *Appropriateness Criteria® Nasopharyngeal Carcinoma* topic. Using the search strategies described above, 216 articles were found. Six articles were used in the topic. Two hundred ten articles were not used due to either poor

study design, the articles were not relevant or generalizable to the topic, or the results were unclear, misinterpreted, or biased.

The author added 63 citations from bibliographies, websites, or books that were not found in the literature search.