

**Literature Search**  
**ACR Appropriateness Criteria®**  
**Borderline and Unresectable Pancreas Cancer**

Literature Search Performed on: 9/23/2014

Beginning Date: January 2011

End Date: August 2014

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 \*Pancreatic Neoplasms/ (43921)
  - 2 \*Neoplasm Staging/ (5561)
  - 3 \*Pancreatic Neoplasms/ra, us [Radiography, Ultrasonography] (2266)
  - 4 Ultrasonography/ or Tomography, X-Ray Computed/ (347252)
  - 5 (1 and 2 and 4) or 3 (2285)
  - 6 limit 5 to (abstracts and english language and humans and yr="2011 -Current") (249)
  - 7 limit 6 to case reports (25)
  - 8 6 not 7 (224)
  - 9 remove duplicates from 8 (197)

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Literature Search Performed on: 9/23/14

Beginning Date: January 2011

End Date: August 2014

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 Pancreatic Neoplasms/ (54745)
  - 2 unresectable.mp. (12503)
  - 3 borderline unresectable.mp. (7)
  - 4 locally advanced.mp. (17203)
  - 5 inoperable.mp. (10079)
  - 6 Adenocarcinoma/ (128578)
  - 7 Radiotherapy/ (37802)
  - 8 Drug Therapy/ (28485)
  - 9 1 and (2 or 3 or 4 or 5 or 6) (11042)
  - 10 9 and (7 or 8) (95)
  - 11 limit 10 to (abstracts and english language and yr="2011 -Current") (15)
  - 12 limit 11 to case reports (2)
  - 13 11 not 12 (13)
  - 14 remove duplicates from 13 (12)

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Literature Search Performed on: 12/5/2011

Beginning Date: January 1980

End Date: October 2011

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

Search Strategy:

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- 1 Pancreatic Neoplasms/ (47164)
  - 2 unresectable.mp. (9584)
  - 3 borderline unresectable.mp. (4)
  - 4 locally advanced.mp. (12354)
  - 5 inoperable.mp. (8322)

6 Adenocarcinoma/ (116092)  
7 Radiotherapy/ (33183)  
8 Drug Therapy/ (33169)  
9 1 and (2 or 3 or 4 or 5 or 6) (9379)  
10 1 or 9 (47164)  
11 10 and (7 or 8) (176)  
12 limit 11 to (abstracts and english language and humans and yr="1980 -Current") (102)  
13 limit 12 to case reports (4)  
14 12 not 13 (98)

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**Notes:**

exp = explode (retrieves results using the selected term and all of its more specific terms)

\* = focus (limits search to those documents in which the subject heading is considered the major point of the article)

.mp = multi-purpose (retrieves results that have this keyword in several fields)

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**Literature Search Summary**

A literature search was conducted in December 2011 and updated in September 2014 to identify evidence for the ACR Appropriateness Criteria® *Borderline and Unresectable Pancreas Cancer* topic. Using the search strategies described above, 307 articles were found. Three articles were used in the topic. Three hundred four 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 50 citations from bibliographies, websites, or books that were not found in the literature search.