

**Literature Search**  
**ACR Appropriateness Criteria®**  
**Imaging of the Axilla**

Literature Search Performed on: 08/12/2019

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**Search Strategy**

- 1 Axilla/ (12505)
- 2 exp Diagnostic Imaging/ (2548646)
- 3 Technetium Tc 99m Sestamibi/ (5384)
- 4 1 and (2 or 3) (2648)
- 5 limit 4 to (abstracts and english language and humans and yr="2014 -Current" and female) (430)

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- 1 Breast Neoplasms/ (273282)
- 2 Carcinoma, Ductal, Breast/ (15226)
- 3 Neoplasm Staging/ (165689)
- 4 1 and 2 and 3 (2611)
- 5 Lymphatic Metastasis/ (86731)
- 6 1 and 3 and 5 (4162)
- 7 exp Diagnostic Imaging/ (2548646)
- 8 1 and 5 and 7 (3262)
- 9 4 or 6 or 8 (8321)
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**Summary**

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| <b>Source</b>         | <b>#Unique Refs</b> | <b>#Retained Refs</b> |
|-----------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|
| Old bibliography      | 0                   | 0                     |
| Literature Search(es) | 1815                | 56                    |
| Author Added          | 121                 | 105                   |
| Supporting Docs       | 5                   | 5                     |
| Total                 |                     | 166                   |

References from the literature search that were not retained had a poor study design, were not relevant to the topic, or had unclear or biased results.