

**Literature Search**  
**ACR Appropriateness Criteria®**  
**Left Lower Quadrant Pain**

Literature Search Performed on: 11/18/2020

Beginning Date: January 2014

End Date: October 2020

Database: Ovid MEDLINE(R) ALL <1946 to November 16, 2020>

**Search Strategy**

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- 1 abdominal pain/ (21209)
- 2 left lower quadrant pain.mp. (116)
- 3 left lower quadrant.mp. (520)
- 4 1 and (left adj1 lower adj1 quadrant).mp. (72)
- 5 diverticulitis, colonic/ or diverticulitis/ (6474)
- 6 diverticulitis complications.mp. (124)
- 7 fistulas of the gastrointestinal tract.mp. (23)
- 8 fistulas of the genitourinary tract.mp. (1)
- 9 bowel perforation.mp. (2381)
- 10 bowel stricture.mp. (141)
- 11 abdominal abscess/ (2990)
- 12 abdominal wall/dg (391)
- 13 Fecal impaction.tw. (424)
- 14 ovarian torsion.m\_titl. (363)
- 15 Testicular torsion.m\_titl. (1189)
- 16 Dolichocolon.m\_titl. (58)
- 17 Mittelschmerz.tw. (23)
- 18 2 or 3 or 4 or 5 or 6 or 7 or 8 or 9 or 10 or 11 (12314)
- 19 12 or 13 or 14 or 15 or 16 or 17 (2448)
- 20 exp diagnostic imaging/ (2665250)
- 21 18 and 20 (3175)
- 22 limit 21 to (abstracts and english language and humans and yr="2017 -Current") (236)
- 23 limit 22 to "all child (0 to 18 years)" (38)
- 24 22 not 23 (198)
- 25 limit 24 to case reports (86)
- 26 24 not 25 (112)
- 27 12 or 13 or 14 or 15 or 16 or 17 (2448)
- 28 limit 27 to (abstracts and english language and humans and yr="2014 -Current") (393)
- 29 limit 28 to "all child (0 to 18 years)" (178)
- 30 28 not 29 (215)
- 31 limit 30 to case reports (78)
- 32 30 not 31 (137)
- 33 32 or 26 (249)

**Summary**

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Source	#Unique Refs	#Retained Refs
Old bibliography	67	22
Literature Search(es)	246	16
Author Added	18	13
Supporting Docs	2	0
Total		51

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

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biased results.