

**Literature Search**  
**ACR Appropriateness Criteria®**  
**Suspected Pulmonary Embolism**

Literature Search Performed on: 02/11/2020

Beginning Date: January 2015

End Date: January 2020

Database: Ovid MEDLINE(R) ALL <1946 to February 10, 2020>

**Search Strategy**

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- 1 exp Diagnostic Imaging/ (2599764)
- 2 Chest Pain/ (12778)
- 3 Pulmonary Embolism/ or suspected pulmonary embolism.mp. (38236)
- 4 Acute Disease/ (210767)
- 5 4 and (2 or 3) (3716)
- 6 2 and 3 (431)
- 7 1 and (5 or 6) (1857)
- 8 1 and 3 (13600)
- 9 7 or 8 (13949)
- 10 limit 9 to "all child (0 to 18 years)" (1320)
- 11 9 not 10 (12629)
- 12 limit 11 to (abstracts and english language and humans and yr="2015 -Current") (1236)
- 13 limit 12 to case reports (322)
- 14 12 not 13 (914)
- 15 remove duplicates from 14 (912)

**Summary**

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Source	#Unique Refs	#Retained Refs
Old bibliography	86	47
Literature Search(es)	911	7
Author Added	27	19
Supporting Docs	6	6
Total		79

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.