Literature Search
ACR Appropriateness Criteria®
Plexopathy

Literature Search Performed on: 04/04/2015
Beginning Date: January 2011
End Date: March 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 Brachial Plexus Neuritis/ (1295)
2 Lumbosacral Plexus/ (2436)
3 Brachial Plexus/ or Brachial Plexus Neuropathies/ (8484)
4 plexopathy.mp. (757)
5 exp Diagnostic Imaging/ (1783664)
6 (1 or 2 or 3 or 4) and 5 (1763)
7 limit 6 to "all child (0 to 18 years)" (363)
8 6 not 7 (1400)
9 limit 8 to (abstracts and english language and humans and yr="2011 -Current") (215)
10 limit 9 to case reports (61)
11 9 not 10 (154)
12 remove duplicates from 11 (145)

Literature Search Summary

Of the 57 citations in the original bibliography, 37 were retained in the final document.

A literature search was conducted in April 2015 to identify additional evidence published since the ACR Appropriateness Criteria® Plexopathy topic was finalized. Using the search strategy described above, 145 articles were found. Twelve articles were added to the bibliography. One article was not used as it was a duplicate already cited in the original bibliography. The remaining 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 or biased.

The author added 10 citations from bibliographies, websites, or books that were not found in the literature search, including 5 articles outside of the search date range.