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**Search Strategy**

1. SYNCOPE/(10524)
2. Presyncope.mp. (986)
3. Syncope, Vasovagal/ (1774)
4. 1 or 2 or 3 (12587)
5. (syncopal episode or drop attack).mp. (405)
6. ((cardiogenic or carotid sinus or convulsive or deglutition or effort or hyperventilation or micturition or postural or situational or stokes-adams or tussive) and syncope).mp. (2307)
7. 4 or 5 or 6 (13370)
8. exp radionuclide imaging/ (199251)
9. exp Diagnostic Imaging/ (2457437)
10. Diagnostic Tests, Routine/ (10163)
11. diagnostic techniques.mp. (33825)
12. 7 and (8 or 9 or 10 or 11) (1819)
13. limit 12 to (abstracts and english language and humans and yr="2005 -Current") (632)
14. limit 13 to "all child (0 to 18 years)" (124)
15. 13 not 14 (508)
16. limit 15 to case reports (306)
17. 15 not 16 (202)
18. Emergency Service, Hospital/ (59077)
19. 1 and 18 (277)
20. 17 or 19 (462)
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