

**Literature Search**  
**ACR Appropriateness Criteria®**  
**Low Back Pain**

Literature Search Performed on: 11/19/2019

Beginning Date: January 2014

End Date: October 2019

Database: Ovid MEDLINE(R) ALL <1946 to November 15, 2019>

**Search Strategy**

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- 1 Low Back Pain/ (20948)
- 2 Radiculopathy/ (4926)
- 3 exp diagnostic imaging/ (2575539)
- 4 (1 or 2) and 3 (5686)
- 5 limit 4 to (guideline or meta analysis or practice guideline) (28)
- 6 limit 4 to "all child (0 to 18 years)" (749)
- 7 4 not 6 (4937)
- 8 5 or 7 (4939)
- 9 limit 7 to (abstracts and english language and humans and yr="2014 -Current") (1065)
- 10 limit 9 to case reports (243)
- 11 9 not 10 (822)

**Summary**

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| Source                | #Unique Refs | #Retained Refs |
|-----------------------|--------------|----------------|
| Old bibliography      | 30           | 24             |
| Literature Search(es) | 822          | 12             |
| Author Added          | 35           | 30             |
| Supporting Docs       | 5            | 5              |
| Total                 |              | 71             |

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.

21 of the author added references were outside the search date range.