

**Literature Search**  
**ACR Appropriateness Criteria®**  
**Incidentally Detected Indeterminate Pulmonary Nodule**

Literature Search Performed on: 08/26/2021

Beginning Date: January 2006

End Date: July 2021

Database: Ovid MEDLINE(R) ALL <1946 to August 25, 2021>

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**Search Strategy**

- 1 Positron-Emission Tomography/ and Magnetic Resonance Imaging/ (11795)
- 2 lung nodule.mp. (1632)
- 3 (1 and 2) or (MRI assessment of lung nodules or Outcome of small lung nodules or Pitfalls on PET).tw. (14)
- 4 limit 3 to yr="2006 -Current" (14)
- 5 limit 4 to case reports (1)
- 6 4 not 5 (13)

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Literature Search Performed on: 06/02/2021

Beginning Date: January 2011

End Date: May 2021

Database: Ovid MEDLINE(R) ALL <1946 to June 01, 2021>

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**Search Strategy**

- 1 Lung Neoplasms/ and incidental findings/ (491)
- 2 Multiple Pulmonary Nodules/ or solitary pulmonary nodule/ (5236)
- 3 Solitary Pulmonary Nodule/ and lung/ and lung neoplasms/ (562)
- 4 (1 and 2) or 3 (649)
- 5 exp diagnostic imaging/ (2723782)
- 6 4 and 5 (556)
- 7 limit 1 to (guideline or practice guideline) (2)
- 8 limit 2 to (guideline or practice guideline) (17)
- 9 limit 3 to (guideline or practice guideline) (1)
- 10 7 or 8 or 9 (17)
- 11 limit 6 to (abstracts and english language and humans and yr="2011 -Current") (259)
- 12 limit 11 to case reports (18)
- 13 11 not 12 (241)
- 14 limit 13 to "all child (0 to 18 years)" (14)
- 15 13 not 14 (227)
- 16 10 or 15 (241)
- 17 Lung Neoplasms/ and incidental findings/ (491)
- 18 Multiple Pulmonary Nodules/ or solitary pulmonary nodule/ (5236)
- 19 Solitary Pulmonary Nodule/ and lung/ and lung neoplasms/ (562)
- 20 (17 and 18) or 19 (649)
- 21 exp diagnostic imaging/ (2723782)
- 22 20 and 21 (556)
- 23 limit 17 to (guideline or practice guideline) (2)
- 24 limit 18 to (guideline or practice guideline) (17)
- 25 limit 19 to (guideline or practice guideline) (1)
- 26 23 or 24 or 25 (17)
- 27 limit 22 to (abstracts and english language and humans and yr="2011 -Current") (259)
- 28 limit 27 to case reports (18)
- 29 27 not 28 (241)
- 30 limit 29 to "all child (0 to 18 years)" (14)

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**Summary**

| Source                | #Unique Refs | #Retained Refs |
|-----------------------|--------------|----------------|
| Old bibliography      | 39           | 8              |
| Literature Search(es) | 253          | 40             |
| Author Added          | 30           | 24             |
| Supporting Docs       | 3            | 3              |
| Total                 |              | 75             |

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.

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