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**Literature Search**

**ACR Appropriateness Criteria®**

**Occupational Lung Diseases**

Literature Search Performed on: 02/09/2018  
Beginning Date: January 2008  
End Date: January 2018  
Database: Ovid MEDLINE(R) Epub Ahead of Print, In-Process & Other Non-Indexed Citations, Ovid MEDLINE(R) Daily and Ovid MEDLINE(R) <1946 to Present>

**Search Strategy**

1. Occupational Diseases/ and Lung Diseases/ (1649)  
2. Lung Diseases/ and Occupational Exposure/ (559)  
3. Asbestosis/ or Silicosis/ or Berylliosis/ or Anthracosis/ or Pneumoconiosis/ (17084)  
4. Pleural Diseases/ and Asbestos/ (399)  
5. Rounded atelectasis.mp. (137)  
6. B reader.mp. (33)  
7. (2 or 3) and 6 (22)  
8. Occupational Exposure/ and Dust/ (2829)  
9. (Progressive massive fibrosis or Mixed dust pneumoconiosis or Pleural plaques).mp. (935)  
10. Mesothelioma/ or (tunica vaginalis.mp. or Peritoneal Neoplasms/) (25219)  
11. (Silicotic nodule or Silicoproteinosis).mp. (55)  
12. 1 or 2 or 3 or 4 or 5 or 7 or 8 or 9 or 11 (21633)  
13. exp diagnostic imaging/ (2399072)  
14. 12 and 13 (3948)  
15. Bronchiolitis Obliterans/ or Anthracosilicosis/ (3060)  
16. (Asbestosis/ or Silicosis/) and carcinoma/ (55)  
17. hypersensitivity pneumonitis/ or constrictive bronchiolitis/ or Chronic Beryllium Disease/ or Anthracofibrosis/ or Deployment/ (5298)  
18. 1 and (15 or 16 or 17) (48)  
19. 14 or 18 (3992)  
20. limit 19 to (abstracts and english language and humans and yr="2013 -Current") (199)  
21. Hypersensitivity Pneumonitis.mp. (2174)  
22. 13 and 21 (397)  
23. limit 22 to (abstracts and english language and humans and yr="2008 -Current") (138)  
24. 20 or 23 (336)  
25. limit 24 to "all adult (19 plus years)" (241)  
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